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Q Ah, this is Jacob Wetterling, if you guys get this message please tell the police you'd be very rich if you-(loud beep – end of message)

R Please hang up and try your call again, if you need assistance dial your operator. Please hang up now. This is a recording. Please hang (busy signal)

[END OF RECORDING]

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BENTON COUNTY
RECORDED CONVERSATION

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A Drop box and I dug 'em out, (inaudible) right now,

Q Who, y- where are you?
A Ah, um, the guy who took Jacob Wetterling, him and his friend threw the blue jogging pants that Jacob Wetterling had on the night he was kidnapped, in a drop box and I dug 'em out.

Q A drop, do you know these guys?
A Mm-mmm

Q What's your name?
A (inaudible) I don't want to give that, because nobody believes me about what I've said about what I know about it so far.

Q In a drop box where?
A Um, wasn't for the Salvation Army, it was for somebody else.

Q It was what?
A For the Women's Guild, it was thrown in the drop box for the Women's Guild and I know these two guys took Jacob Wetterling.

Q Okay, who are these guys?
A I know 'em only by name but nobody wants to believe me.

Q Have you called the Sheriff's Department?
A Yep, I've called everybody on it. And what I need right now is a toll free number for um, the missing children hotline cuz I think they might listen.

Q Okay, ah
A I even know the brand name on 'em, cuz I'm wearing 'em. I dug 'em out of that drop box the night they were thrown in there.

Q Did you give
A The next day I should say. I saw the guy throw 'em in there and I dug 'em out.

Q Okay, so, but how do you know that those are the guys that took Jacob?
A Because I seen 'em behind my apartment the night before taking him out of a van and putting him into a station wagon, nobody wants to believe that. He had on a pair of blue jogging pants the night he was kidnapped. And I can even tell you the – the brand name on 'em, Jordache

Q Okay
A Cuz I d-I seen these two guys take him out of a station wagon and put him into a van and nobody wants to believe me so far.

Q And you've talked to
A I know more stuff about it too that I kept (inaudible)

Q And you've talked to Patty Wetterling and
A I've tried talking to everybody about it and I've gotten threatened by the police that if is ay anything more about it they'll put me in jail. So, I best not say anymore, right?

Q Why would they do that?
A Because they don't want to believe me.

Q Why don't they want to believe you?
A Cuz they think I'm a liar. I'm not. (inaudible) more information

Q But what, like what?
A Yeah if I give it to you I'll go to jail.

Q I have no, I have no way to put you in jail.
A Well I just want to know that toll free number I'd rather call people like that instead of going to jail. (inaudible)

Q Um,
A It's the 1-800 the lost,

Q 1-800, I think it's is it, let me just hang on let me look,
A It's the children's hotline, whatever it's called.

Q Okay, ah
A I'd rather give them my number, cuz I don't want to go to jail, and the cops and, and in the, close to the (inaudible) threaten to put me in jail if I told him any more of what I knew. It's like they don't

Q They, cops where?
A Can I explain it, can I explain it to you? in another way?

Q Sure
A That you might understand better. You're not gonna believe this but one of the guys involved is an ex deputy sheriff for Stearns County. That's why they're kind of shrugging it off.

Q Oh-kay,
A In other words, you get my drift.

Q Sure,
A The guy used to work for Stearns County, he used to be a deputy sheriff.

Q Mm-mmm
A So now you know why they're kind of holding back on their investigation.

Q Ah
A Do you know what that make them look like?

Q Sure, you think that they've known that all along? Or
A Yep

Q They just
A They have, I know they have. I know they know who's involved because me and my girlfriend found other proof. And we took some of it out of that place. Of who took that kid we even found his coat on the floor and we took a paper out of his pocket proving who he is.

Q It, it, have you
A That's how I found out his name.

Q Have you talked
A And besides that he used to harass me while I was living out of state.

Q He harassed you? who, who do you mean?
A Mm-mmm, the kidnapper. The main kidnapper, the older guy with the receding hairline. And he has a guy who helps him with it.

Q Okay
A And I got that guy on tape telling me that he was gonna do this eleven months with a friend of his for (inaudible)

Q Um, I will go look up that number for you, I don't have it right here but there's a, I think there's a poster out front that I can go get.
A Oh I don't want the one in St. Cloud, the 251

Q No, I would find the
A Or 255 I mean, but you know, I don't want that one.

Q Okay, ah, (inaudible) call you back and then I'll give you a
A No way, I know that trap

Q No, I mean I don't know where
A (inaudible) thank you.
R Friday, 1239 pm,

[END OF RECORDED PHONE CALL]

INTERVIEW WITH UNKNOWN
Q=Man
A=Man

Q: We're back from our break with the, uh, (unintelligible). We're going to the next (unintelligible). We'll use that same hypnosis technique. (Unintelligible) hypnosis (unintelligible) just start off by focusing on (unintelligible) what we'll do is we'll shift gears. As if you're watching a movie. As if you're watching a video tape. (Unintelligible). And just imagine (unintelligible).

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Q: If you take it one step at a time you can imagine pushing the stop button so you can (unintelligible).

A: (Unintelligible).

Q: Yeah, just stop and think. (Unintelligible) all that and just use that in your imagination (unintelligible) as clearly as (unintelligible). And I might ask you a question (unintelligible). We'll take it at your speed.

A: (Unintelligible).

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Q: (Unintelligible) eyes (unintelligible). Don't try anything. And I'll let you close your eyes (unintelligible) hypnosis and then I'll say open your eyes. (Unintelligible). Okay, (unintelligible) this is what we did before. And (unintelligible) under hypnosis (unintelligible).

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Q: Concentrate. (Unintelligible). Focus (unintelligible). Concentrate (unintelligible).

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Q: (Unintelligible).

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Q: (Unintelligible).

((0:06:00))

Q: (Unintelligible). The idea (unintelligible).

((0:07:00))

Q: (Unintelligible).

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Q: (Unintelligible).

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Q: (Unintelligible).

((0:10:00))

Q: (Unintelligible).

((0:11:00))

Q: (Unintelligible).

A: (Unintelligible) turned before (unintelligible) is by (unintelligible).

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A: There was a man standing by it. (Unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible) it was hard to tell. A man was standing close to the front of the car and (unintelligible).

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A: He had (unintelligible). And he had on (unintelligible). The man said (unintelligible) red jacket (unintelligible).

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A: It was like a sport's jacket. Blue sweat pants. Sweat pants that are kind of pulled up. (Unintelligible) in the back of it, in the front of it and above the shoulder.

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A: (Unintelligible) kind of a blackish (unintelligible). Dark (unintelligible). Yeah (unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible) a (unintelligible) my car door. (Unintelligible) and before I knew it (unintelligible).

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A: and going in (unintelligible). The man got into the front and the boy was (unintelligible). He had something in (unintelligible) but I can't (unintelligible) a gun or a stick or a knife. This was kind of (unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible) on the other side of the car was like (unintelligible). He looked at me. The boy looked at me. (Unintelligible) a mean look (unintelligible). The car was running. And he put the car in drive. He (unintelligible) the tires. (Unintelligible) it's like.

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A: And then I sat (unintelligible) not even a minute and I (unintelligible) turned around and backed up - he put it (unintelligible). I remember a car going by. I don't remember what kind of car it was. I don't know where (unintelligible).

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A: Stayed there (unintelligible). And went past (unintelligible) the car and tapped the brakes and (unintelligible). There was like a speed bump after the (unintelligible) even stop. He just kind of puts his leg down a little bit.

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A: (Unintelligible) I thought he would stay with him. And then he went and (unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible).

((0:26:00))

A: (Unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible).

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A: (Unintelligible).

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Man: Just put the date on here.

Man: We got the date too?

Man: Yeah.

Man: But it's really got sound too, don't ya?

Man: Oh yeah. You can tell it's some of your best ones huh?

Man: Ha-ha.

Child: Papa, papa (unintelligible).

Man: I don't know.

Child: Yeah (unintelligible), can I go on the (unintelligible)?

Man: No, not today it's too cold.

Child: No it isn't.

Man: Yeah it is.

Child: Not this one (unintelligible).

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Child: Papa I help you. Papa come on (unintelligible).

Man: Oh yeah, yeah. (Unintelligible).

Man: No, ask her how her love life is.

Man: No you go up there and ask her.

Man: I will.

Man: Okay.

Man: Then- then you're recording?

Man: Donna?

Woman: Oh better than ever.

Man: Better than ever?

Woman: Yep.

Man: Is that right?

Woman: Yeah.

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Man: I'll be dog goned anyhow, you working hard or hardly working?

Woman: Oh, just trying to make it look (unintelligible).

Man: Just try-, okay, okay. Say good-bye to Uncle Sam.

Woman: Bye.

Man: Bye. Ha-ha.

Woman: Ha-ha.

The transcript has been reviewed with the audio recording submitted and it is an accurate transcription.
Signed_____

INTERVIEW
Q=Inv. Tim McDonald
Q1=Pam Jensen
A=Man

((Crosstalk))

Q: (Unintelligible) how you doing? Have a seat. (Unintelligible) no surprise I'm an investigator here and, uh, you know me as a sergeant, this is Pam Jensen...

Q1: Hi.

Q: She's from Stearns County I'm Tim McDonald from, uh, the BCA. How you doing? We're here to ask you some questions, okay?

A: Okay.

Q: Um, just to let you know about that, uh, obviously we're not talking to you as any type of criminal activity so you're not under arrest or anything like that, even though you're in a institution like this you don't have to talk to us if you don't want to but I, uh, you know we appreciate you kinda hear us out a little bit of what our objective is here and I would imagine you'd have some interest in it as well.

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Q: We're not gonna beat around the bush, we're not gonna sit and play games with you, uh, the reason why we're here is, uh, we are investigators on the Jacob Wetterling case and we've developed some information that maybe you have some information on that and that maybe you would be willing to, uh, exchange information for some type of, uh, that you may want okay? Um, that's why we're here and typically when we do this, um, there's always some type of, uh, if you do have information, obviously you've been around the block a little bit, we gotta build some type of trust 'cause we've gotta give a little, take a little, give a little, take a little for it to work okay? And it's my understanding that, uh, information we have that that may be true, is that true? Okay. Is that something that you'd be willing to work with us a little bit on?

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A: Not for nothing.

Q: No, I wouldn't, we're not gonna do it for nothing.

A: I mean I don't know, I'm, I imagine my attorney's already contacted you.

Q: Well, uh, to tell you the truth no, um, we...

A: Somebody must have contacted you.

Q: Right. And- and it wasn't the attorney okay?

A: Who was it?

Q: Um, well we periodically review letters and you did write a letter at one time that mentioned, uh, the- the name Jacob Wetterling and that's, you know...

A: So you guys read my mail going out to my attorney's?

Q: Nope, we don't (unintelligible)...

A: My attorney's the only ones I've mentioned anything to.

Q: Okay. Who's your attorney?

A: Well at the moment (Paulina).

Q: Okay, well the letter that we're aware of (unintelligible)...

A: Or my private investigator, which should be the same thing.

Q: Well in the, in our- in our mind an investigator is not an attorney, okay? I'm not gonna play any games with you, this is the letter that we read okay?

A: Mm-hm.

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A: Right.

Q: Okay, so that's why we're here to talk to you about it. Well, and basically you're saying in here the same thing I said, that you may have some information but you're not gonna give it away for free.

A: Well absolutely.

Q: So that's why we're here, to see if in fact you do have information, it's legitimate information, we would be willing to start exchanging to see if we can, uh, obviously you don't know me from beans, I don't know you, um, obviously you've been in the system a long time, you're not stupid, you know, you're not just gonna give it up for nothing.

A: Mm-hm.

Q: But the hard part is for you and us to work together, you know? For me to trust you and you to trust me, um, is kinda, it's gotta work that way.

A: Well it's gotta work that way.

Q: Otherwise we're, nobody's gonna get anywhere. You're not gonna get anywhere and we're not gonna get anywhere.

A: Not, what I know I'll take to the grave if I don't get what I want, you know? If it don't work out properly...

Q: Right. So what do you want?

A: One of the first things I need is, uh, complete anonymity.

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Q: Okay.

A: I mean- I mean I don't know you for, I don't know him but I know, I know this wouldn't go any further I don't think.

Q: No, well (unintelligible)...

A: I mean (unintelligible) more than anybody.

Q: Well (unintelligible)...

A: This is- this is not on.

Q: This is off.

Q1: That's fine.

((Crosstalk))

Q: Well who is, who is privy to the information?

A: Well I'll tell ya what, the first thing that needs to be done is, uh, I'm in the process of, they're gonna transfer me out of here.

Q: Okay, do you know when?

A: No, could be any day.

Q: Okay.

A: That's something that, you know, first before anything gets done that's gotta get stopped.

Q: So anonymity and transfer.

A: That's gotta be, yeah I want, you know I wanna stop the transfer.

Q: Okay.

A: I'm- I'm in the process of filing a post-conviction.

Q: Okay.

A: Based on newly discovered evidence and, uh, this is legitimate on this conviction. I mean I'm not trying to bring nothing frivolous up.

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A: We got newly discovered evidence concerning my criminal conviction that, you know, I'm- I'm, you know I'm sure you've took the time to find out who I am and what I'm in here for.

Q: Right.

A: So you know this is a cop case.

Q: Right.

A: So I've got a political situation above and beyond the legal situation.

Q: Right.

A: All right? You're a prosecutor am I right?

Q1: No I'm a detective, investigator.

A: Okay well then the plan is you're well aware this is- this is more than just a legal barrier right there, I mean I got a...

Q: Right.

A: ...political barrier. I'm hoping that I can use this to eliminate this political barrier. I've been 18 years in here.

Q: Okay.

A: You know? I mean whether yens wanna believe it or not, I'm in here on a case that don't belong here, I was not involved.

Q: Okay.

A: And I mean given- given the opportunity to prove, my first trial I got a trial with an attorney that never hired an investigator, did nothing. I mean I got fucked, you know?

Q: Okay.

A: I mean, and I mean what I'm wanting in return...

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A: ...is a fair shot.

Q: Well, can't argue with that point okay?

A: Mm-hm.

Q: What we need to start to do is you, I'm sure you've heard this line before but we can't sit here right at the entrance stages of our meeting here and offer you a whole bunch of promises.

A: Right.

Q: Okay? Um...

A: Also, before we go any further, you also know that I- I can't give no- nothing 'til I'm certain or know what I'm gonna get.

Q: Well, we- we gotta exchange...

A: I mean you're gonna need to know what I've got is right too though.

Q: Right, and that's the problem, that's- that's the barrier we have right here. Uh, can you give us a little bit to even show that, uh, lack of better terms, whether we know you're full of shit or not? In other words, something we can take out there and substantiate? Doesn't have to be the name of the person or whatever, you know? Doesn't have to be your key piece of information but it's gotta be enough for us to know, for example, I have no idea what you know but for example, if you know who abducted Jacob...

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Q: ...and if you've talked to him, that that person has told you something...

A: I'll put it to you this way, the reason this can still be an- anonymity because if- if you told me something correctly...

Q1: Mm-hm.

A: My testimony's admissible in court and I'd have to testify in that circumstances but if you told him and he told me...

Q1: Mm-hm.

A: That makes him the one that have- have to testify.

Q1: Sure.

A: It makes me inadmissible, which leaves me in a position where I can remain anonymous right?

Q: Okay.

Q1: (Unintelligible).

A: That's the situation. This particular individual, this- this is, uh, almost 10, about 10 years ago. I was sitting at a table doing some of my work and you know, you've ever seen these cells, but right in front of the table, just you know, just a series of cells and this dude was in there talking to a friend of mine and, uh, you know, the guy was crying and shit like that, which caught my attention. It's a little odd to see somebody around here, you know, balling and stuff like that.

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Q: Mm-hm.

A: But I mean it's not my business so I'm ignoring him. Well the other dude's a good close friend of mine so I'm working, he comes out of the cell, calls me over and says come here man, check this out. He said hey this dude just...

Q: You can just shut the door.

A: He said this dude just told what he did and he said where he put the body.

Q: Okay.

A: And I said well you can use this to get out of here, well I mean I didn't think nothing of it, I mean I had other things that I was doing I just thought well I don't know how, and just blew it off. It was a little situation with my attorney when we were talking about something else, another case and, uh, he made a comment that, you know, this might be useful. Well the particular situation wasn't and then later on I- I was listening to the radio sitting in my cell and I heard there was talk about the mother on TV, this and that and I thought well wait a minute, that's what made me remember this incident.

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Q: Okay. At the time of that incident did it mention the name of Jacob or did you know which case they were talking about?

A: Yeah he was, he was definitely talking about this particular, apparently he'd seen it on TV, he got to talking about it and the dude just started breaking down.

Q: Okay. Did this, we'll just call him unknown individual. Did he provide details to your friend as to how he did it or where the body is?

A: I'll- I'll put it this way, he told, he- he told where it is and you know, if I was in your shoes it'd be easy to find, wouldn't be hard to find at all.

Q: Do you know where he's at?

A: Well I mean I, I know where he said he was at, I mean I, you couldn't get me to, I couldn't take you to it.

Q: Right.

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317 A: You know? 'Cause I don't know my around that particular area but I mean...
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319 Q: So what are you gonna tell us to get this ball rolling? Where he's at?
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321 ((0:10:00))
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323 A: Well, you know the best thing that I can tell you is if I'm wrong, you don't
324 owe me nothing, you- you're investing absolutely nothing.
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326 Q: That's true.
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328 A: You know? If I'm right, you just busted open a major can of worms.
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330 Q: That's right too.
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332 A: The guy's in here killing some, a kid now, all right? He's in here right now
333 for- for killing a kid, all right? I'm certain of this Wetterling thing.
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335 Q: Mm-hm.
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337 A: Because the odds are that he's killed two for sure, you know what I mean? In-
338 in- in, but in you guys' field, profiling and what will tell ya if he's done it
339 twice, the odds are he did it more than twice. (Unintelligible) child killer, a
340 serial child killer.
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342 Q: Right.
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344 A: And he's not doing life, he's going to be getting out soon. I mean the odds are
345 he'll do it again.
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347 Q: And you're right there.
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349 A: And my question to you guys is you- you, if you wanna solve this and I'm
350 telling you...
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352 ((0:11:00))
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354 A: ...I'm sure as I'm breathing oxygen, well you'll solve it (unintelligible)
355 anyway, and if I'm wrong, what have, what have (unintelligible) nothing.
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357 Q: Well...
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359 A: Whatever- whatever we work on...
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Q: Is that, is...

A: You owe me absolutely nothing.

Q: Is that the clue you're giving us, that the guy's in here and he's killed a kid before? Or are you gonna tell us...

A: Yeah I can, well I- I mean in the situation and this is important to me...

Q: Mm-hm.

A: This- this is one thing that can help me go home. Okay?

Q: Mm-hm.

A: So I can't give ya too much to where you could find out on your own, you know what I'm saying? I mean I (unintelligible)...

Q: Well, how about you tell us where the...

A: I need to be careful...

Q: Tell us where the...

A: ...tell ya because you know, two and two can make four, I don't care if you're (unintelligible) you can figure things out yourself, you're not that stupid I mean you wouldn't be in the position you were if you were, you know what I'm saying? There's certain things if I tell you, piece 'em together you know, on your own?

Q: How (unintelligible)...

A: What- what good's it doing me?

Q: Right. Well part of that's going back to you know, you gotta trust us...

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Q: ...which is difficult because you, you know (unintelligible)...

A: Well obviously if you promise me something...

Q: Yeah.

A: If you say okay look here, we'll help you, we'll do what you want, I've gotta

406 give you the information.
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408 Q: Mm-hm.
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410 A: I've gotta trust that you're gonna actually follow through with what you're
411 gonna do.
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413 Q: Right, right.
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415 A: I don't know that you will or not, how would I know? I'm saying you can get
416 the information somewhere else (unintelligible).
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418 Q: We kinda, we- we run into the problem all the time, I mean you're obviously
419 not the first person in our career that we've had to be in this situation and you
420 know, it- it takes a long time. And that the last guy I worked with that was
421 looking, he was still out but he's looking at a long, you know, 10, 15 years is
422 long to him, which is long to anybody and, uh, slowly but surely we started
423 working with him and he didn't give up much, kinda like what you're, maybe
424 might do. But over a period of time he realized that we were exchanging
425 information and finally at the end, uh, you know, four or five months down
426 the road, he was telling us stuff that, uh, he did years ago, you know?
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428 ((0:13:00))
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430 Q: And, uh, what I'm getting at is here is you don't have to tell us who the, this
431 person is. But if you told us where Jacob was or at least a good idea, and we
432 found him...
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434 A: That's all a part of it though.
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436 Q: I mean that would be, uh, tremendous. And that, you know, just 'cause we
437 find him doesn't mean we know who abducted him. Unless he...
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439 A: I, well, you would. You would.
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441 Q: Well he would have him where it's at.
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443 A: Yeah you would.
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445 Q: He would have to be buried in his house or something like that.
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447 A: Not in the house but on the property...
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449 Q: On the property? Well we talked with...
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A: Let me- let me just try and do it like this, like I said, if I'm wrong you owe me absolutely nothing but reality is is you two are not in a position to give me what I want anyway.

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Q: Well we've been communicating with prison officials...

A: Yeah 'cause they're not in position. See I don't wanna play...

Q: Yeah...

A: You know?

Q: Transfer- transfer is something that can be discussed, well we've already talked about that.

A: See I don't want a transfer.

Q: I know.

A: I don't...

Q: You wanna stop the transfer and we talked about it, they said if- if you gave us something, uh, really good, substantiated...

A: Well this is, you know, the biggest case in...

Q: It is, well...

A: No, no, no, how much bigger you're gonna get.

Q: You're not gonna get any bigger. If you give us that, you know, I- I can't speak for them but they said that they would, I can't say that they would stop it either but they said they'd seriously consider it and I can't imagine, uh, you know, that if you give us the biggest case in Minnesota that they wouldn't...

A: Yeah, I'm not interested in hollow promises either.

Q: The trouble is here, you know, here's- here's the stage we're at...

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Q: I mean, you know, basically you gotta trust us, you know? In a case like this otherwise...

A: It works both ways.

Q: I know, but see if...

A: You gotta trust that I'm telling you the truth.

Q: Right. And if you say you're gonna give us something and we'll say yeah, he's not full of shit, and then the ball goes back and forth, you know? And...

A: Well, you know, I'm not asking somebody to let me out first (unintelligible)...

Q: No, we know that...

Q1: (Unintelligible).

Q: Will you tell us where he's at...

A: (Unintelligible). Huh?

Q: Will you tell us where he's at?

A: Well I ain't, I'll tell you what, this is what I'm gonna do, I- I'm in the process of filing a post-conviction all right? Like I said it's a legitimate post-conviction. Now I mean I just need in exchange for this infor-, you'd be willing to go back to a parole, let's just use that for an example.

Q: Okay.

A: Go to the parole board say look here, this guy was helpful and we (unintelligible). If you're willing to do that, well you'd be willing to do what I want, it's the same thing.

((0:16:00))

Q: Right.

A: I'm not asking for anybody to let me go, I'm asking for a fair opportunity to prove my innocence.

Q: Mm-hm.

A: Which means I want a new trial. When I file this post-conviction, what I would like, and it would have to be somebody in the- in the Attorney General's Office obviously, that would say...

541
542 Q: Who is handling your case, is it, excuse me is it Ramsey County or the AG's
543 Office?
544
545 A: Well I haven't- I haven't (unintelligible) we're still in the investigative part...
546
547 Q: Okay.
548
549 A: We're pulling shit together and in fact I'm about ready to change lawyers, I've
550 talked to (Miles Lord) about possibly him to...
551
552 Q: Okay.
553
554 A: ...handle the case here.
555
556 Q: See our trouble is, you know, if you get shipped somewhere...
557
558 A: Well that's what I'm saying, you need to stop that for now.
559
560 Q: Actually I- I can't stop that unless we have something. Otherwise you're gone
561 then we're- we're both losing. You're losing, we're losing.
562
563 A: Exactly.
564
565 Q: And we don't wanna lose...
566
567 A: (Unintelligible).
568
569 Q: Okay, if you're giving us where he's at, did he, okay...
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571 ((0:17:00))
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573 Q: ...do you know any details about the crime?
574
575 A: I know who did it and I know where the body's at, that's what I know.
576
577 Q: That's two important things obviously.
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579 A: It's the- it's the main important things.
580
581 Q: I know.
582
583 A: I mean, you know...
584
585 Q: But see...

586
587 A: Believe me, I- I've given you enough to where you- you build your case and
588 you got your...
589
590 Q: Well...
591
592 A: I mean without a doubt I can give you enough to build a case and you got it.
593
594 Q: The trouble is you have to give us one of those, we prefer the, prefer the body
595 part. I mean you got two big things, it's not like you have something little to
596 give us...
597
598 A: But I'm not asking for nothing first. What I'm asking for is for someone to say
599 okay look here, if you give us this, we will do this. If you're wrong we won't
600 give you nothing.
601
602 Q: That's where we're at, but right now I don't have the power to stop any
603 transfer...
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605 A: (Unintelligible).
606
607 Q: And I can't...
608
609 A: No.
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611 Q: Convey the information...
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613 ((0:18:00))
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615 A: His boss- his boss does.
616
617 Q: Yes but we...
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619 A: It's his boss that's (unintelligible) me out here in the first place.
620
621 Q: The point is we have to tell his boss something good that you've told us and
622 right now you know, (unintelligible)...
623
624 A: And you're asking me to give away my bargaining power to transfer, I- I'll go
625 to bum fuck Egypt first.
626
627 Q: How- how are we gonna do this thing?
628
629 A: I want my life back. You were, if you wanna work with this then you put that
630 on hold until we squash this, get this, well (unintelligible) fucking transfer you

631 know?
632
633 Q: Mm-hm.
634
635 A: Because I'm about to fucking transfer, I'm saying for you to (unintelligible),
636 for to have, be able to do it with this, we need to put this on hold.
637
638 Q: Well...
639
640 A: Put this on hold and let's deal with this. If he's wrong, there ain't nothing, get
641 him the fuck out of here. If he's right, well if he's right hey, I- I don't see how
642 that's wrong, I mean that sounds right to me. I mean I've...
643
644 Q: (Unintelligible).
645
646 A: ...I've gone through this in my head a number of times, believe me I'm sitting
647 down in a locked-in cage, I got nothing to think about but this. Going through
648 this through my head so many times it ain't funny.
649
650 ((0:19:00))
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652 A: What I'm asking for is not that much, it's actually not (unintelligible) for you
653 guys, you know what I'm saying? The Attorney General's needs to get
654 involved, or Assistant Attorney General, somebody from that main office...
655
656 Q: Right.
657
658 A: ...is gonna have to sit down with us and just say okay. If you can give us this,
659 we would be willing to do this.
660
661 Q: Mm-hm.
662
663 A: All right? If you're, if- if what you've got is wrong, all bets are off. You owe
664 me nothing and (unintelligible).
665
666 Q: The trouble we have and- and don't...
667
668 A: I mean if we can give you, okay look here, I can tell you where this, I don't,
669 and you don't need me no more, I just (unintelligible) my own fucking
670 (unintelligible)...
671
672 Q: Well you gotta look at your...
673
674 A: I'm not here to...
675

Q: Why would we, why would we, why would we do that to you though? Right? Would I have anything against you?

A: No, you sure don't.

Q: I mean...

A: (Unintelligible).

Q: I mean I guess I've never done it like that in my career and I really don't have any intentions to. I mean...

((0:20:00))

A: But- but you're, you're talking about trusting and that goes both ways.

Q: It does, it- it, the trouble we have is, a little bit is- is- is, and- and don't take this in an insultive way...

A: And you owe me nothing.

Q: You gotta hear me out a little bit now.

A: Sure.

Q: I said don't take it in an insultive way, trouble is, uh, there's been thousands and thousands and thousands of leads on Jacob and...

A: Well this isn't a lead, I'm- I'm not giving ya...

Q: Well I know...

A: I assure you this is...

Q: But the point is we have to follow up on every one of 'em.

A: Right.

Q: And there's been probably a hundred guys in prison we've talked to that have to, you know, go back and forth and- and do this and a lot of times if they don't give us a little something like we mentioned to substantiate it...

A: You have it...

Q: I- I know but you gotta give us a little bit first so we can, I mean we can't, I

721 can't go forward and say you know, , uh- uh, just says he
722 knows it...
723
724 A: Doesn't it seem logical to you?
725
726 Q: (Unintelligible).
727
728 A: What have you gained, what have you lost? Nothing, you owe me nothing. If
729 I'm wrong you owe me nothing.
730
731 ((0:20:00))
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733 Q: So why...
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735 A: You don't have to do nothing, you know I'll tell ya, look here, if you tell me
736 this, if you give us what we want, okay? We'll agree, we'll do this, this is
737 what you want, this is what we'll do. Okay?
738
739 Q: Mm-hm.
740
741 A: And all I'm asking is for the Attorney Generals or somebody from that office
742 that has the authority to go to the prosecutor that is handling my, that will be
743 assigned to my post-conviction, the judge and say look it here man, he was
744 instrumental in this...
745
746 Q: Mm-hm.
747
748 A: Okay?
749
750 Q: I understand that...
751
752 A: And we're asking for you to give this guy a new trial, you know we'll
753 recommend a new trial. If, you know, I'm not asking because that's a welfare
754 thing and I'm not bringing fruitless issue, the evidence that you know, the
755 issues that I'm raising on post- conviction, I have the tangible proof to back
756 up, you know, and do a post-conviction and (unintelligible) like you were
757 saying, you have to prove your case. I'm saying this is what happened,
758 (unintelligible) the proof but I, because of my case, I have a two, well I got a
759 double hurdle to beat.
760
761 Q1: Can I ask you a question?
762
763 A: Certainly.
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765 ((0:22:00))

Q1: Why would it take this long for you to come up with this, to bring this forward...

A: Because I had totally forgot all about it to be honest with you. When I was told about it I, you know I, it was, it...

Q1: Well it seems pretty substantial to forget about it when it's on the news. But I mean...

A: Right.

Q1: ...(unintelligible).

A: Right, and he was there by me, I just, I (unintelligible) you know? How could that (unintelligible), I just blew it off 'cause it's none of my business and just kicked it to the side, you know? Right now, this (unintelligible) thing, I'm doing something right now that's going completely 100%, 1000% against any morals I've ever had in my life. I want my life back though, you know what I'm saying? I'm gonna be able to prove that I didn't do this though, you know what I'm saying?

Q1: I do.

A: Just a parole, I want you to go to the parole board and say he look here's (unintelligible) deserves a parole.

Q1: Mm-hm.

A: Yeah.

Q1: That's the reason I'm talking to you.

A: I'm not...

Q: What's gonna happen unfortunately here, we're gonna go back to the warden and he's gonna ask what'd he tell ya? We say well he has information but you have to stop all this before he'll give it to us...

((0:23:00))

A: (Unintelligible)...

Q: He's gonna, he's, I imagine he'll say no and then again we're back to where...

A: Well I'm see, I'm, promise this, my lawyers are trying to do (unintelligible)...

Q: Mm-hm.

A: (Unintelligible) you know? My lawyers will go to the Attorney General's Office and say hey look here man, my client has some information, are ya interested?

Q: Right.

A: You know what I'm saying? He's already talked to the prosecutor from that county, St. Cloud or wherever, a prosecutor, do you know the prosecutor that's in charge of this thing?

Q1: Well I- I don't think that's...

A: You can give me the name...

Q1: Well I don't think that's right though because you're talking about it like (unintelligible) investigation out of Stearns County where it happened and I haven't been contacted, and he works for the BCA...

A: I just need to talk to a prosecutor.

Q: I'm trying to think...

A: I thought you were the prosecutor.

Q1: Well no.

Q: (Unintelligible).

Q1: Some way it had to come through to us, (unintelligible) you got this.

A: Mm-hm.

Q1: You know I just can't see how we wouldn't be (unintelligible).

((0:24:00))

A: (Unintelligible), well then maybe he's lying to me.

Q1: That's what I wonder, I mean what...

A: (Unintelligible) I guess it's a good reason I'm trying to get a different lawyer,

you know? So 'cause you come and told me some sideways shit...

Q: Well, actually we're just expediting the, uh...

A: And I- I appreciate...

Q: We're right, we're right to the next phase of it because they would have to come to us next anyways.

A: Well this is what he told me.

Q: Right.

A: He told me he talked to the woman prosecutor that's supposed to be involved in this thing and she said that all we'd be willing to do is, uh, send two detectives down here to talk to you, that's what I thought this was.

Q1: No.

A: Is that I know (unintelligible).

Q1: She might've said just that but I would've thought she would've came forth and said hey, we got this guy willing to talk to you about this but...

A: Well, like I said, I mean I, the lawyer is supposed (unintelligible) I thought he did with you guys...

Q1: No- no.

A: I wasn't sure what this was until I got here.

Q1: Yeah.

A: And I- I asked, that's why I said are you the prosecutor 'cause I figured that...

Q1: No.

A: ...you were the one (unintelligible).

Q1: Hm, that seems kind of weird, that we would've known about that.

((0:25:00))

Q: Well we're at a standstill here I guess and it's, what- what- what about us don't you think that we would follow through with, uh, getting you these

901 things?
902
903 A: Well you know, I'm- I'm just trying to be honest (unintelligible). No
904 disrespect, but you- you guys really are not in the position to do what I want
905 anyways. You know? All I want is this (unintelligible) Attorney General's
906 Office, we work this out and say okay, if you tell us what we want, what you
907 have, that may be substantial, (unintelligible) you know, if it opens up the
908 case, tells us who it is, solves the crime, we'll go to the prosecutor and we'll
909 go to the judge and tell 'em hey, this guy was instrumental, he's got a
910 legitimate issue here, we're recommending this. That's what I'm looking for.
911
912 Q: Okay who is the prosecutor in your case?
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914 A: In my case (unintelligible) this is- this is out of the county (unintelligible).
915
916 Q1: Well we'd have to know somebody to- to contact and even ask for what
917 (unintelligible), we haven't talked to any of those people.
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919 ((0:26:00))
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921 A: Right. But you'd be out the county attorney's hands, it would be, if I'm filing
922 a post-conviction, this is, uh, Mike Hatch is the Attorney General, it'd be his
923 office that's assigned these things ain't they?
924
925 Q1: See I don't, like I said (unintelligible)...
926
927 A: I'm pretty sure that's how it works, I mean it'd be somebody from Mike
928 Hatch's office, the Attorney General's Office, State Attorney General that
929 would handle something...
930
931 Q1: But I don't even know if he could say (unintelligible) change in his plans, I'm
932 sure that there's been complicated things (unintelligible) based on just that, I
933 don't know if they'd even look at something like that. You know what I
934 mean?
935
936 A: Well you know you'd have to stop it long enough to deal with this, that's all
937 I'm saying, I mean...
938
939 Q: That's the trouble we're gonna have, we're gonna walk back and say, he's
940 gonna say what do ya have? And I said, basically we're right where we begin
941 with that you know that...
942
943 A: Well I mean it's like I said, it's not costing you nothing, you know?
944
945 Q: I know but it's gonna cost us if- if- if you get transferred somewhere...

((0:27:00))

Q: ...we're kinda screwed.

A: Exactly my point. That's what I'm saying you know? If I was in your shoes I'd go back and just- just say (unintelligible) he does have some information, we believe, we'd like to put this on hold until we can find out.

Q: How can we say that you are positive that you know...

A: I am positive, I mean what- what (unintelligible)...

Q1: (Unintelligible).

A: ...(unintelligible) I'm wrong. I mean I wouldn't tell you today anyways, I mean it's now I need somebody that's in a position to give me the, some kind of guarantee that, you know, I will be there to help you with this, you know? You- you two are not in a position to help me with that. You two have been positioned once this person says yes we will back you, this is what, that's what you want, we'll go do that if you sit down and talk to these two.

Q1: Mm-hm.

A: And then out the door right there. If I'm wrong, it doesn't cost you, it costs you nothing. You know? And- and they have absolutely nothing to lose and everything to gain. (Unintelligible) so what?

((0:28:00))

A: I have nothing to lose...

Q1: Mm-hm.

A: ...and everything to gain, I want my life back. I didn't get the chance to go back to a new trial and prove my case, I know that if you guys can solve the fucking case it's probably the biggest in this state ever, you know? Uh, (unintelligible) a child serial child killer, I know he's did it twice, the odds are you do too, but if the person's did it twice, this time, this is not a burglar, this is not a robber, people like that are sick, they got problems, they're not- they're not curable type problems.

Q: Mm-hm.

A: You know what I'm saying? These are the kind of freaks, I mean we see 'em

991 here every fucking day, they can turn these god damn, uh, Sears and Roebuck
992 book open to these child fucking areas and these, you know, females and, you
993 know what I'm saying? Yeah, this is not a normal fucking person, the guy's
994 did it twice and now third, did- did it before...
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996 Q1: (Unintelligible)?
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998 A: No, no (unintelligible).
999
1000 Q1: You know the guy that, he told your buddy that?
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1002 ((0:29:00))
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1004 A: Yeah he told my buddy and my buddy come and told me, he said you ain't
1005 gonna believe this, you have to be fucking kidding me ? Well, you know,
1006 some of it has been checked out, the guys a dead ringer for fucking, uh, what
1007 do you call it?
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1009 Q1: Composite?
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1011 A: (Unintelligible).
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1013 Q: And he's still in here?
1014
1015 A: He's here.
1016
1017 Q: The guy that did it?
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1019 A: He's in prison and getting out shortly though.
1020
1021 Q1: In this prison or another prison?
1022
1023 A: He's in prison, you gotta understand (unintelligible)...
1024
1025 Q1: Ha-ha.
1026
1027 A: Believe me, and I, you know I mean I gotta be careful, you can understand...
1028
1029 Q1: Yeah...
1030
1031 A: I don't mean no disrespect...
1032
1033 Q1: Yeah.
1034
1035 A: ...in any way shape or form, I just- I just want ya to understand that I need to

1036 be careful.
1037
1038 Q1: Sure.
1039
1040 A: What I give because you people are very intelligent. I give you one thing that
1041 could lead to another thing that could lead to another (unintelligible), you
1042 know what I'm saying? If I start the ball rolling, before any, before I can get
1043 anything concrete, you can figure it out without me. I'm stopping, you know?
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1045 ((0:30:00))
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1047 A: (Unintelligible)...
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1049 Q1: Well look there are a lot of people that'd be very- very- very thankful to you
1050 for bringing forth (unintelligible).
1051
1052 A: No question, no question, I mean...
1053
1054 Q1: Well starting with the mother and the family (unintelligible) I mean so...
1055
1056 A: (Unintelligible).
1057
1058 Q1: And you're not, you would never, somebody whoever comes forth and solved
1059 this case would never be just blown off in a million years, there's no way
1060 they're getting blown off.
1061
1062 A: That's what I'm saying, what I'm asking.
1063
1064 Q1: Well...
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1066 A: Is not hard...
1067
1068 Q: But you, what you're saying is...
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1070 A: Let's just say for example you are in- in assistant attorney job, you worked
1071 under Mike Hatch and I- I was (unintelligible) , uh, you're trying, your co, uh,
1072 workers. It wouldn't be hard for you to say okay, look here this guy give us
1073 what we want. We can, we could've got what we want, look it here, this guy's
1074 got a legitimate post-conviction, he's got, he's (unintelligible), let's give him a
1075 chance, let's give him, let's give him a new trial, we recommend to the judge
1076 that he get a new trial.
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1078 Q1: (Unintelligible).
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1080 ((0:31:00))

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1082 A: (Unintelligible).
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1084 Q1: (Unintelligible)...
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1086 A: (Unintelligible) you as the prosecutor, as the attorney, Assistant Attorney
1087 General, was to look at him and say (unintelligible)...
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1090 The transcript has been reviewed with the audio recording submitted and it is an accurate
1091 transcription.
1092 Signed_____

RECORDING
Q=Man

Q: I've been doing this for 15 years, and I've sat across the table from a lot of people who've done some really horrible things, okay. I'm not saying you're one of them, but I have. And universally, with very few exceptions, the bad thing that happened or that they did, was not something that they intended to do. And I'm thinking one of the things that's very likely happened in this case, whoever did it, leaving you out of it. Um…

The transcript has been reviewed with the audio recording submitted and it is an accurate transcription.
Signed_____

RECORDED CONVERSATION

Man: All right? Let's see if we can do a better job today.

Man: (Unintelligible).

Woman: Yeah well, I'll close the door (unintelligible).

((0:01:00))

Man: Okay (unintelligible).

Woman: All right thanks. All right.

((0:02:00))

Woman: 202 Edward, uh, 202 Charles (unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible).

Woman Yep, we're (unintelligible) Charley (unintelligible).

Woman (Unintelligible).

Woman Go ahead.

Woman (Unintelligible).

Woman No, I'm in (unintelligible) passing out canteens.

Woman (Unintelligible).

Man (Unintelligible).

Woman 10-9.

Woman Do you know where (Boris) (unintelligible).

((0:03:00))

Man: Two.

Woman: No I don't.

Man: I do.

Woman: Is he down in the laundry room?

Man: Yes, he was by the (unintelligible) door, I told him he couldn't come in.

Woman: You can send him through (unintelligible).

Man: If I can find him again.

((0:04:00))

Man: (Unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible).

((0:05:00))

Woman: (Unintelligible) to (Rover).

Man: Go.

Woman: I have shortages of one canteen only, so when you have a chance, let me know and I'll (unintelligible) - or call me and I'll let you know what it is we need.

Man: (Unintelligible) call you.

Man: Yes.

Man: Let's try to keep radio traffic down for awhile please.

((0:06:00))

Man: All right (unintelligible).

Woman: Central dispatch (unintelligible).

Woman: (Unintelligible).

((0:07:00))

Man: All right (unintelligible) step right up (unintelligible).

((0:08:00))

Woman: Hi. When (Marci) gets back (unintelligible) supposed to come right back up (unintelligible) okay?

Woman: (Unintelligible).

((0:09:00))

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Woman: I didn't say a word.

Woman: (Unintelligible) come (unintelligible) how nice you look.

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Woman: I know.

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible).

Woman: I'm gonna (unintelligible).

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Woman: Yeah (unintelligible).

Woman: (Unintelligible) actually (unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible).

Woman: Oh give me that one (unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible).

((0:10:00))

Man: Yeah.

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible).

Woman: You gotta (unintelligible).

Man: She ran back from the (unintelligible).

Woman: He wrote it - he typed it.

Woman: He typed it?

Woman: He typed it. (Unintelligible).

((0:11:00))

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Woman: Well I've never seen that (unintelligible).

Woman: (Unintelligible).

((0:12:00))

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Woman: Oh yeah.

Woman: I think last year (unintelligible).

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Woman: (Unintelligible) yes I think so, yes.

((0:13:00))

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible).

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible).

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182 Woman: Okay 'cause (unintelligible).
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184 Woman: Okay.
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186 Woman: Thanks.
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188 ((0:14:00))
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190 Woman: (Unintelligible).
191
192 Woman: Do you have a (David Craig's) down there?
193
194 Woman: (Unintelligible).
195
196 Man: A letter addressed to him (unintelligible).
197
198 ((Crosstalk))
199
200 Woman: (Bob) do you want - Captain do you (unintelligible).
201
202 Woman: This is for (unintelligible).
203
204 Man: (Unintelligible).
205
206 Woman: Oh, you want (unintelligible).
207
208 Man: (Unintelligible).
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210 Woman: (Unintelligible) like trying to get a job. It's the truth, it's human sergeant.
211
212 ((0:15:00))
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214 Woman: She had (unintelligible). We (unintelligible) that way, I don't (unintelligible).
215
216 Man: (Unintelligible) she didn't have a chance (unintelligible).
217
218 Woman: There's gotta be a better agency somewhere in the world.
219
220 Woman: Remember - remember when I was in the first day, they hired you
221 (unintelligible).
222
223 Man: Yeah.
224
225 Woman: (Unintelligible).

226
227 Woman: Of course then it could be sort of a personal (unintelligible).
228
229 Man: That could be.
230
231 Woman: (Unintelligible).
232
233 Man: No, I can go downstairs and get (unintelligible).
234
235 Woman: (Unintelligible) what you (unintelligible).
236
237 Man: (Unintelligible) on his way man.
238
239 Woman: Okay.
240
241 Man: How do we know (unintelligible).
242
243 Woman: I don't know.
244
245 ((0:16:00))
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249 Woman: No (unintelligible).
250
251 ((Crosstalk))
252
253 Man: (Unintelligible) supposed to be in today (unintelligible).
254
255 Woman: That was done yesterday (unintelligible).
256
257 Man: (Unintelligible).
258
259 Woman: Okay.
260
261 Woman: Does that ever leave?
262
263 Man: (Unintelligible).
264
265 Woman: No. Do you want me to go down and ask him what it is?
266
267 Man: (Unintelligible).
268
269 Man: (Unintelligible) right here.
270

271 Woman: Do you want me to go down and see what it is, though?
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273 Man: (Unintelligible).
274
275 Woman: Okay.
276
277 ((0:17:00))
278
279 Woman: (Unintelligible) do you have pictures?
280
281 Man: I don't have pictures.
282
283 Woman: (Unintelligible) a one going to booking. (Unintelligible).
284
285 Man: (Unintelligible).
286
287 Woman: Go to (Charles) and (Adam), one going to booking.
288
289 ((0:18:00))
290
291 Woman: (Unintelligible) was that you?
292
293 Woman: (Unintelligible) down from the inside.
294
295 Man: (Unintelligible) officer (unintelligible).
296
297 Woman: (Unintelligible) booking.
298
299 Man: (Unintelligible) two after you (unintelligible).
300
301 Woman: It was my fourth.
302
303 Woman: Oh, okay. Okay. That's fine, we were just wondering (unintelligible). Okay.
304 Bye bye.
305
306 Man: (Unintelligible) me.
307
308 Man: (Unintelligible).
309
310 ((0:19:00))
311
312 Man: Going down (Berber)?
313
314 Woman: For court?
315

316 Woman: Yeah.
317
318 Man: (Unintelligible) the whole nine (unintelligible).
319
320 Woman: Hang out down there I guess.
321
322 Man: (Unintelligible) (Mark), uh, go around the other way towards the nurses'
323 station, she can meet him by the (unintelligible) lockers. Go out that way,
324 through there.
325
326 Woman: Is that, uh, (Parson)?
327
328 Man: No, (Parson's) is at (unintelligible), I'm not letting him in here.
329
330 Woman: Good man.
331
332 Woman: Who's coming around the other way?
333
334 Man: (Dack) and (Treverti).
335
336 Woman: Oh.
337
338 Woman: I think he's already got him.
339
340 ((0:20:00))
341
342 Man: That's all right. Thanks for trying (unintelligible).
343
344 Woman: (Unintelligible).
345
346 Man: Hey, you're warm.
347
348 Man: We're all warm sitting in here.
349
350 Man: (Unintelligible).
351
352 Man: Where's (Liv) at?
353
354 Woman: Right here.
355
356 Man: He's in the cell (unintelligible), waiting for you.
357
358 Woman: Is he? Okay.
359
360 Woman: (Unintelligible) just - just send him through.

361
362 Woman: Let me through (Charley).
363
364 Man: You wanna go through (Charley)?
365
366 ((0:21:00))
367
368 Woman: Yeah, that's what she said (unintelligible).
369
370 Man: (Unintelligible).
371
372 ((0:22:00))
373
374 Man: Yes he is (unintelligible).
375
376 Man: Here I am.
377
378 Man: No.
379
380 Man: N- uh, take your watch, and we have to get pictures (unintelligible).
381
382 Man: I think we've already got pictures.
383
384 Woman: (Unintelligible).
385
386 Man: Yeah (unintelligible). Yeah they came (unintelligible).
387
388 Man: (Unintelligible).
389
390 Man: (Parson's) is in the (unintelligible) locker. Captain's on his way down.
391
392 Woman: Yeah. What?
393
394 Man: (Unintelligible) pretty small.
395
396 ((0:23:00))
397
398 Man: Yeah (unintelligible).
399
400 Man: Yeah, I'm not feeling too bad, no (unintelligible) I'm all right...
401
402 Woman: Property.
403
404 Man: ...changes (unintelligible).
405

((Crosstalk))

Man: All right, take care. Bye.

Man: Don't fill his work out.

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RECORDING
Q=Woman
Q1=Woman
A=Man
A1=Man
A2=Man

Q: (Unintelligible).

A: I wouldn't.

Q: (Unintelligible). Ooh-yah.

((0:01:00))

Q: La-da-da-da. Da-da-da-da.

((0:02:00))

Q: La-da-da. Say thank you, dear...

A: Say thank you dear...

Q: ...and give her roses...

A: ...and give her roses...

Q: ...she'll understand...

A: ...she'll understand...

Q: ...and love you more each day...

A ...and love you more each day...

Q: ...say thank you, dear...

A: ...say thank you, dear...

((0:03:00))

Q: ...for all she's done...

A: ...for all she's done...

Q: ...in every way...

A: ...in every way...

A: If you ever thought of this...

Q: Ooh-...

A: ...when your wife's true...

Q: ...yah.

A: ...I just think of things she does and they're all for you...

Q: Ooh-yah.

A: ...she'll always be on your side, and she'll be your guide...

Q: Be your guide.

A: ...so you must let her know just what you feel inside. Say thank you, dear...

Q: Say thank you, dear...

A: ...and give her roses...

Q: ...and give her roses...

A: ...she'll understand...

Q: ...she'll understand...

A: ...and love you more each day...

Q: ...and love you more...

((0:04:00))

91 Q: ...each day...
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93 A: ...say thank you, dear...
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95 Q: ...say thank you, dear...
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97 A: ...and give her roses...
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99 Q: ...and give her roses...
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101 A: ...for all she's done...
102
103 Q: ...for all she's done...
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105 A: ...in every way.
106
107 Q: ...in every way.
108
109 A: Well, each day seem to pass her by and nighttime too and sometimes you
110 wonder why she sticks by you. A day's work is never done as years go by, but
111 if you think of this song is worth a try. Say thank you, dear...
112
113 Q: Say thank you, dear...
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115 ((0:05:00))
116
117 A: ...and give her roses...
118
119 Q: ...and give her roses...
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121 A: ...she'll understand...
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123 Q: ...she'll understand...
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125 A: ...and love you more each day...
126
127 Q: ...and love you more each day...
128
129 A: ...say thank you, dear...
130
131 Q: ...say thank you, dear...
132
133 A: ...and give her roses...
134
135 Q: ...and give her roses...

A: ...for all she's done...

Q: ...for all she's done...

A: ...in every way.

Q: ...in every way. Here we go. Da-da-da-da-da-da-da-da-da-da-da-da-dah. Da-da-da-da- dah.

((0:06:00))

Q: Woo-hoo.

((0:07:00))

A: Twirling skirts, pretty girls and smiling faces.

A1: Where?

A: ...it's that happiness we have in polka land.

Q: Polka land.

A: Mom and dad, sister Sue, Yosh and Stosh and Mary Lou, uh, dancing all night to the music of our band. Oh, let the sunshine in...

Q: Oh, let the sunshine in...

A: ...shake hands with your neighbors...

Q: ...shake hands with your neighbors...

((0:08:00))

A: ...and happiness will never leave your heart...

Q: ...and happiness will never leave your heart...

A: ...oh, let the sunshine in...

Q: ...oh, let the sunshine in...

A: ...shake hands with your neighbors...

Q: ...shake hands with your neighbors...

A: ...and happiness will never leave your heart...

Q: ...and happiness will never leave your heart. Well, at a dance, in your home or in a tavern. It's that familiar song we all enjoy to hear. A couple's dancing around the floor. Others asking for some more, and the spirit's getting higher with some beer. Oh, let the sunshine in...

A: Oh, let the sunshine in...

Q: ...shake hands with your neighbors...

A: ...shake hands with your neighbors...

Q: ...and happiness will never leave your heart...

A: ...and happiness will never leave your heart...

Q: ...so let the sunshine in...

A: ...so let the sunshine in...

Q: ...shake hands with your neighbors...

A: ...shake hands with your heart.

((Crosstalk))

A: Oh, let the sunshine in. Shake hands with your neighbors and happiness will never leave your heart.

Q1: Yeah, I (unintelligible).

A: De-de-op-op-op-op-hoo.

((0:09:00))

A1: Humpty Dumpty (unintelligible), honey, (unintelligible)...

Q: Hey, hey, hey.

A1: ...oh, dearie, don't be late. I wanna be there when the band (unintelligible) play remember when (unintelligible). We're gonna (unintelligible). You're gonna dance (unintelligible) too (unintelligible) play (unintelligible) tomorrow

night and (unintelligible) don't (unintelligible).

Q: Yee-haw. (Unintelligible).

((0:010:00))

A: Thank you. Another one comin' up for you. Here we go Dale Glenn Miller, number one hit (unintelligible) In the Mood.

((0:011:00))

A: (Unintelligible).

((0:12:00))

Q: (Unintelligible).

A: Hey.

((0:13:00))

A: Yee-woo.

((0:14:00))

A: Ah-de-dum. Three, four.

((0:15:00))

A: Yee-ho.

((Crosstalk))

((0:17:00))

A1: Woo. Hi.

((0:18:00))

A2: (Unintelligible) come here.

A1: (Unintelligible).

A2: Behave yourself.

((0:19:00))

((0:20:00))

((0:21:00))

Q: (Unintelligible).

((0:22:00))

((0:23:00))

((Crosstalk))

((0:24:00))

Q: Woo-ha.

((0:25:00))

Q: Woo-ho-ho-ho. (Unintelligible).

((0:26:00))

A3: Hey.

A1: Ah, yeah, ya.

((0:27:00))

A3: Hey.

((Crosstalk))

Q: One, two.

((0:28:00))

((0:29:00))

((Crosstalk))

A1: (Unintelligible).

((0:30:00))

((0:32:00))

Q: Woo-ho.

((0:33:00))

A: Oh, be ready. Hey. Ho. Woo-hoo. Hey.

((0:34:00))

A: Yeah.

A1: You betcha. Thank ya. Let's get this - I don't even mem- know your name right now but let's give the band before...

((0:35:00))

A1: ...us here, let's give a great big hand doin' a great, great job. Good job.

A: You betcha.

A1: Thank you. And we're gonna get things set here a little better here and get everything goin' here.

((Crosstalk))

((0:36:00))

A1: Hey. Hey. Hey.

((0:37:00))

((0:38:00))

A1: Hey.

((0:39:00))

A1: Okay. Thank you. Hey, that's all. We're gonna be back with waltz, uh, comin' up in a short time. Gotta thank ya.

((0:40:00))

((0:41:00))

A1: Hey.

((0:42:00))

A1: Was that all right, friend? Ah, she gotta (unintelligible). We're gonna do one more old timer here. A real old one idea like somethin' like Born to Lose, yeah, I think so. So it's always (unintelligible) over and over, but we'll just play it over and over a few times. You bet. Yeah.

A: Now we gotta get that speed (unintelligible).

A1: We each play slow, right, (unintelligible) we gotta speed it up (unintelligible), right?

A: Yeah.

A1: Yeah, okay, yeah.

((0:43:00))

Q: (Unintelligible).

A: One more.

((0:44:00))

A: Hey, (unintelligible).

((0:45:00))

A1: Now, was that alright? Hey.

((0:46:00))

((0:47:00))

A1: Hey, say thank ya, and that's all, but maybe later on in the evening we're gonna do somethin' real slow (unintelligible), ha, I don't know. We'll see. Okay, that's all. Hey, we're comin' back with a little bit of polka time comin' up next. Polka time, you bet. Yeah.

((0:48:00))

A2: Hey.

((0:49:00))

A2: Ya-hoo. Yee-he-he. Ya-hoo.

((0:50:00))

((Crosstalk))

((0:51:00))

A1: There's a lot of good (unintelligible) in the world (unintelligible). Ho-ho.

((Crosstalk))

A1: Yeah, (unintelligible).

((Crosstalk))

((0:52:00))

A1: I'll get you my name (unintelligible).

Q1: Okay.

((Crosstalk))

((0:53:00))

A2: Yee-haw.

((0:54:00))

A2: Who-ho-ho.

((Crosstalk))

((0:55:00))

Q: Woo-hoo.

A2: Hey. Hey.

((Crosstalk))

A2: Hey. Hey.

((0:56:00))

Q: (Unintelligible).

((Crosstalk))

A1: You gonna help me out on this one just in case I get lost? (Ed), you got it? You got it, huh?

((0:57:00))

((Crosstalk))

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"CRY FOR HELP"
Q=Ms. Joanne Van Buren
Q1=Pros. Atty. (Harkins)
Q2=Def. Atty. (Krantz)
A=Mr. Townsend
A1=Eric Townsend

Q: I mean the youth get more involved and...

Woman: Ooh, yeah, so you do a better job when you come back to me.

Q: Well, I will. I'm just involved in this right now.

Woman: That one's done.

Q: Thanks.

Woman: Turn out the lights when you leave.

Q: Hi. Game's over already, huh?

A: Oh, thank God. Eric struck out four times, and the kids are blaming him for losing the game. I was gonna call you, he's not doing well.

Q: How are you doing?

A: I'm okay.

((0:01:00))

A: He spends so much time in his room. I try to hug him to show him that I still love him, and he recoils like, uh...

Q: Did you hug him a lot before this happened?

A: I see him suffering.

Q: I know.

A: I want to do something about it, so what can I do?

Q: Listen, Eric needs to know that he's not different to you now. He needs to see that you're okay, that he hasn't hurt you in some way, and he really needs to be able to feel his pain openly, without worrying about you. So the more okay you are, the more he can do that, and then it'll be clear with him then from you.

A: Hey, Eric. I got a big fan of yours here.

((0:02:00))

Q: Hi. Hey, what is this? What a way to greet a friend.

A: What's the matter?

A1: Don't make me go in there.

Man: I'm waiting on those bats, Eric.

A: Oh, hey, come here.

Man: What's with him?

Q: Here, Eric, wait, wait, wait, wait, what?

A1: He - he...

Q: No, you're safe. You're safe.

((0:03:00))

Man: Look, I never...

A: Did you see the look on his face today, huh? Did you see him run, huh? Tell them what you did to Eric, tell them. Tell them what you did to Eric. Tell them.

Man: Raise your hands up.

A: Oh, yeah.

Man: Okay, we'll take it from here.

A: Yeah, well, I know what's gonna happen, nothing. Hey, hey.

Man: (Unintelligible).

Man: Hold it.

A: He's gonna pay for this.

Man: (Unintelligible).

A: You're gonna pay.

Man: You told me yourself that kid has problems. Now he's dreaming.

A: Yeah, I want him to admit it, in front of his wife.

Woman: He will pay, Mr. Townsend, he will.

A: Sure, sure.

Man: Look, I can understand him being upset, but - well, thank God you guys were following him.

Woman: We weren't. He just beat us here. We had to fill out a warrant for your arrest.

Man: What? You believe that...

Man: You have the right to remain silent. If you give up your right to remain silent...

((0:04:00))

Man: ...anything you say can and will be used against you in a court of law.

Man: Okay.

Man: You have the right to speak with an attorney and have an attorney present and during questioning. If you cannot afford an attorney, one will be provided for you at no charge.

Man: Is that right?

Man: Yes, that's right.

Q: Hello?

((Crosstalk))

Woman: This is Ms. Van Buren.

Man: Sign here please, Ms. Van Buren.

Q1: First you tell Ms. Van Buren nothing happened. Then you tell her a stranger did it. Now it's your baseball coach. Why are you lying, Eric?

A1: Mr. (Donovan) was my friend. I didn't want him to get in trouble.

Q1: No. It's because you don't know the difference between a truth and a lie, do you, Eric? Isn't that so?

A1: I do so. This is the truth.

Q: I told Eric...

((0:05:00))

Q: ...that if he gets nervous, just to look over to us and his father. His father can sit right behind us, yes?

Q1: Mm-hm.

Q: Like, um, that we'd be kind of like teammates.

Q1: Teammates?

Q: Yeah. Is there any reason that Eric actually has to be sitting in the courtroom before he testifies?

Q1: No, why?

Q: Well, I just think he might get nervous. I mean I would, so, uh, maybe - maybe he could stay home 'til it's time for him to testify, or we could find a spare room, and I could bring in a television or some games, or something like that.

Q1: Uh, just where do you get these ideas of yours from? I have somewhat of a problem with them.

Q: Why?

181 Q1: They're good.
182
183 Judge: All rise. Be seated. The People vs. (John Patrick Donovan). Uh, this is a
184 preliminary hearing to determine if there's sufficient cause to believe that the
185 defendant, (John Patrick Donovan), is guilty of certain criminal charges...
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187 ((0:06:00))
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189 Judge: ...and should be bound over for trial.
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191 A2: At first we didn't know what, if anything, was wrong with Eric. The doctor's
192 report was inconclusive, but, uh, he was shy, he was frightened, and his
193 drawings indicated he was repressing something, something painful and
194 traumatic.
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196 Q1: Nothing further, your Honor.
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198 Q2: Doctor, Mr. Townsend failed to cooperate with you and the Department, isn't
199 that right?
200
201 A2: Yes.
202
203 Q2: And how did Eric act when his father touched him?
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205 A2: He withdrew. He was uncomfortable.
206
207 Q2: Would a possible explanation be that Eric was withdrawing from someone
208 who had abused him?
209
210 A2: It's possible, but it...
211
212 Q2: But it is possible?
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214 A2: Yes.
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216 Q2: Thank you, Doctor.
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218 Q1: Redirect, your Honor.
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220 ((0:07:00))
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222 Q1: Is there another possible explanation, Doctor?
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224 A2: Yes, thank you. Eric may have withdrawn from his father because he was
225 abused by some other man. Often in cases like this the child's fear of being

touched by the abuser extends to other members of the same sex, so he might have just been afraid of being punished.

Q1: Thank you, Doctor.

Q: And then Eric ran. He said "He" twice, and got hysterical.

Q1: Why do you consider these actions significant?

Q: Well, I have told Eric what all parents tell their children, uh, to say "No," to run away and tell someone, and so when Eric ran, that told me that...

Q2: Objection, your Honor. The boy ran, the boy said "He." Therefore, the boy should tell us what his actions meant, not Ms. Van Buren.

Judge: Well, sustained. Strike that last line.

((0:08:00))

Q1: Your witness.

Q2: Ms. Van Buren, you must know Eric very well by now, don't you?

Q: Yes.

Q2: That's nothing to be ashamed about, is it? He's a nice boy, but imaginative?

Q: If you're gonna ask me could Eric have imagined all of this, the answer is no.

Q2: Really? Why not?

Q: Because children don't say they have been molested unless it's true. Eric knows a lot of details.

Q2: But children do make up stories about who the real molester is, don't they, Ms. Van Buren, to protect a close family member, like a father?

Q: I've heard that.

Q2: In fact...

((0:09:00))

Q2: ...Eric did that once before with a stranger, with a zipper, and a blue truck? And he made it up, knowing that you suspected his father?

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272 Q: It doesn't mean he made it up this time.
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274 Q2: Well, that's your opinion. And it's also your opinion that running is evidence
275 of sexual abuse?
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277 Q: It can be.
278
279 Q2: Really? Because I'm a jogger.
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281 Q: When it is combined with mortal fear, yes, it is my opinion.
282
283 Q2: Eric didn't actually name Mr. (Donovan) until a week ago?
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285 Q: That's true. He was scared.
286
287 Q2: Nevertheless, Eric only named Mr. (Donovan) after you promised Mr.
288 (Harkins) that he would, isn't that true?
289
290 Q: Look, I'm not gonna let you turn this thing around and...
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292 Q2: Your Honor, I asked the witness a very simple question that can be answered
293 with a yes or a no.
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295 Judge: Answer the question, Ms. Van Buren.
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297 ((0:10:00))
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299 Q: Yes.
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301 Q2: Well, Ms. Van Buren, will you tell us how you coached, uh, coaxed Eric into
302 naming Mr. (Donovan)?
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304 Q: I did not coach him. It is against Department rules. I asked him why he ran.
305 He trusted me and he told me.
306
307 Q2: And you're certainly very careful about going by your Department rules, are
308 you?
309
310 Q: Well, I try.
311
312 Q2: Ms. Van Buren, I have your personnel file here. You were severely
313 reprimanded for inciting a client to strike you so that you could press charges
314 against him, on the very day that you first met Eric. Now is that what you call
315 going by the rules, Ms. Van Buren?

((0:11:00))

Q: No, it was terribly unprofessional. I have no excuse. But Eric told me, I did not tell him.

Q2: Well, we'll just have to ask Eric about that, won't we? No further questions. Thank you, your Honor.

Judge: Well, it's late, uh, so rather than bring the child all the way from home, uh, let's recess until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

A: Can (Krantz) do that to Eric?

Q1: He might. I don't know.

A: Well, I've changed my mind. I - I can't have him go through that.

Q1: You do realize that's the end of the case?

((0:12:00))

Q1: All right. I'll ask that the charges be dropped in the morning.

A: Joanne, I know that you've put your heart and soul into this case for Eric and I, but I can't have him go through that.

Q: Oh, you certainly don't owe me an explanation. Uh, it's up to you whether Eric testifies or not. I'm - I'm just doing my job.

A: Well, I promised Eric I'd be home. If you're not doing anything tonight, you could join us for dinner, and say goodbye to him.

Q: I am busy tonight, thanks.

A: Sure. Well, bye.

Q: Bye.

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361 Q: You know, there's just some people you can't get rid of.
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363 A: Well, come in. Eric's asleep already.
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365 Q: It's okay, I came to talk to you.
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367 A: Well, I'm having a cup of coffee. Come on.
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369 ((0:16:00))
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371 Q: Why did you change your mind?
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373 A: You have to ask? After what (Krantz) did to you?
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375 Q: He did that to scare you. I can't believe he's gonna get away with that with a
376 six-year-old boy.
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378 A: I don't care, it worked, I'm scared. Joanne, he's suffering.
379
380 Q: Yes, he is. You can't expect him to get better by hoping he's gonna forget
381 about it. Sexual abuse is so traumatic, it doesn't just fade into a dim memory.
382 That's why there's been no healing.
383
384 A: You're guessing. You don't know that. You don't know what it's like to see
385 your child suffering, and to put him on a stand and watch helplessly while a
386 lawyer picks him apart. You can't know that.
387
388 Q: No, I can't. But the pain that is locked up inside of Eric, that's causing the
389 nightmares and the moodiness, has to come out where you can see it...
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391 ((0:17:00))
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393 Q: ...and help him deal with it.
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395 A: I think I'm doing that.
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397 Q: I think you're trying to avoid it, his pain and your pain. What happened,
398 happened, and pretending that it - that it didn't happen is only gonna make it
399 worse, so you'd better deal with it now, before it's too late - before - the - the -
400 the child ends up feeling abandoned and bitter. I - I know a little bit about this.
401 I mean I've just seen it happen.
402
403 A: What's this got to do with Eric?
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405 Q: My mother died when I was seven. My father and I have barely spoken about

406 it. We talk baseball.
407
408 A: I see.
409
410 Q: I have the feeling my boss would, uh, say I'm a little...
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412 ((0:18:00))
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414 Q: ...too involved again.
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416 A: I'm not complaining. Is it, uh, too late to change my mind?
417
418 Q: No.
419
420 A: Good.
421
422 Judge: Okay, Eric, we're ready for you now.
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424 ((0:19:00))
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426 Judge: Comfortable? Mr. (Harkins), are the People prepared to demonstrate that this
427 child is competent to testify?
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429 Q1: Yes, your Honor.
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431 Judge: Proceed.
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433 ((0:20:00))
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435 Q1: Eric, what is your full name?
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437 A1: (Eric Arlor Townsend), 6-years-old.
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439 Q1: Eric, just answer only the question that you're asked, hm? Thank you. Now,
440 Eric, do you know the difference between a truth and a lie?
441
442 A1: Yes.
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444 Q1: Have you ever told a lie?
445
446 A1: Yes.
447
448 Q1: What happens when you tell a lie?
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450 A1: I get punished, spanked sometimes.

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452 Q1: And do you promise to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the
453 truth, so help you, God, when I, the Judge, or Mr. (Krantz) over there, ask you
454 questions?
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456 A1: Yes.
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458 Q1: Your Honor, the People offer this witness...
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460 ((0:21:00))
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462 Q1: ...as competent to testify.
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464 Q2: The witness has had someone coaching him besides Mr. (Donovan), your
465 Honor. We have no objection.
466
467 Judge: Arguments will be heard later, Mr. (Krantz). Bailiff, swear in the witness.
468
469 A1: One time when we played at practice.
470
471 Q1: And when baseball practice ended, Eric, what did you do?
472
473 A1: I helped Mr. (Donovan) put away the equipment.
474
475 Q1: Why, Eric?
476
477 A1: 'Cause I wanted to. He talked about being a real live baseball player.
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479 Q1: In the Major League?
480
481 A1: Yeah. He had a car, uh...
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483 Q1: Accident?
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485 A1: Yeah, got hurt real bad and had to quit.
486
487 Q1: Eric, on Wednesday, did something different happen?
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489 ((0:22:00))
490
491 Q1: Eric, are you okay?
492
493 A1: Yeah.
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495 Q1: Tell us about the day something different happened.

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497 A1: I went to help paint.
498
499 Q1: Paint what?
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501 A1: Shed, where we keep the bathroom stuff.
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503 ((0:23:00))
504
505 Q1: Eric, are you all right? Do you want to rest?
506
507 A1: No.
508
509 Q1: I have one last question. Is this man the man who did these things you
510 described in this courtroom?
511
512 A1: Yeah.
513
514 Q1: Would you point to him please?
515
516 A1: There.
517
518 Q1: Can you name him, Eric?
519
520 A1: Mr. (Donovan).
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522 Q1: Your witness.
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524 ((0:24:00))
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526 Q2: Well, now, Eric, we're going to have a nice friendly little chat together, aren't
527 we?
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529 ((0:25:00))
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531 ((0:26:00))
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533 Q2: Eric, I don't know what you've been told about me, but I'm a nice person, and
534 I have a nice little son of my own. And he likes to watch television. Now I'll
535 bet you like to watch television too, don't you Eric?
536
537 ((0:27:00))
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539 Q2: Well, what's your most favorite show on television, Eric? Maybe you have
540 two most favorite shows, huh?

541
542 A1: Yeah. Sesame Street and, uh, Star Trek.
543
544 Q2: Oh, I like those shows too. Now let me ask you something, Eric. Do you
545 believe in Big Bird? Do you believe that Big Bird is real?
546
547 A1: Big Bird?
548
549 Q2: Big Bird isn't real, is he? No. Now, Eric, what about - what about Mr. Spock?
550 Do you believe in Santa Claus, son? Do you believe that Santa Claus is real?
551 Here, just look at me, right here, son.
552
553 Q: Your Honor, Mr. (Krantz) is repeatedly and deliberately blocking my view of
554 Eric.
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556 Judge: Ms. Van Buren, you're out of order.
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558 ((0:28:00))
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560 Judge: If you wish to be present for the remainder of this hearing, you will not
561 interrupt. However, counsel may...
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563 Q1: Yes, your Honor, I object, on the same grounds Ms. Van Buren did.
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565 Q2: Your Honor, before and now during this hearing, Ms. Van Buren has coached
566 the witness on what to say. It's time we got some un-coached and truthful
567 answers.
568
569 Judge: I see no coaching, Mr. (Krantz). You don't have to block her view to represent
570 your client. Sustained.
571
572 Q2: Of course not, your Honor. Now, Eric, we were talking about Santa Claus. Do
573 you believe that Santa Claus is real? Eric, I want to talk to you about the day
574 that you ran away from the equipment shed. Do you remember that day pretty
575 well?
576
577 A1: Yeah.
578
579 Q2: You had a baseball game that day, didn't you? And your team lost?
580
581 A1: Yeah.
582
583 ((0:29:00))
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585 Q2: Did you really strike out four times in that game? Do you remember how

586 many errors you made in that game? A lot, wasn't it? Your teammates weren't
587 very happy about that, were they?
588
589 Q1: I thought you said he was prepared. (Krantz) hasn't even raised his voice yet.
590
591 Q: Well, he's confusing him, he's embarrassing him.
592
593 Q1: That's exactly what (Donovan)'s paying him all that money to do. Now do
594 something.
595
596 Q: Eric, hey. It's okay. He's just trying to scare you, you know. All you have to
597 do is relax and answer the questions that he asks you.
598
599 ((0:30:00))
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601 A1: I never know what to say.
602
603 A: You just tell the truth, tiger, just like you told us. You're very, very close.
604
605 Q: Yeah, and you've already finished the hardest part. I mean you said the name,
606 right?
607
608 A1: Yeah.
609
610 Q: And with your father there and - and the judge and Mr. (Harkins) and me, you
611 don't have to be afraid. You're the king of karate, right?
612
613 A1: Kung Fu.
614
615 Q: Kung Fu.
616
617 Q2: In fact, Eric, at your game that day, you played so poorly that your coach,
618 Coach (Donovan), had to take you out of the game and put you on the bench,
619 didn't he?
620
621 A1: Yeah.
622
623 Q2: And you were mad at him for putting you on the bench, weren't you? Very
624 mad?
625
626 A1: Yeah.
627
628 Q2: Mad enough that you might run from him so that Ms. Van Buren would see it,
629 and he would get into trouble, big trouble.
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Q2: Eric, I want you to do one thing for me. I want you to look at Coach (Donovan), in the eye, directly in the eye, not at Ms. Van Buren, and say to him and his family here that he sexually molested you. Can you do that, Eric?

Judge: Mr. (Krantz).

Q2: Your Honor, as the child has admitted fantasizing and holding a grudge against Mr. (Donovan), I suggest that all the charges against Mr. (Donovan) be dropped right now.

A1: It's the truth, it is.

Judge: Eric, is there anything else that you can tell us that will help us believe your story?

A1: He has a zipper.

Q: (Donovan)'s car accident.

Q1: A zipper?

Q: Baseball players call their scars zippers.

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Q1: Oh. Eric, do you mean a zipper like an evil pirate or, uh, Frankenstein has on his face? Do you mean a scar, son?

A1: Yeah, from here to here.

Q1: Thank you, Eric.

Q2: Uh, your Honor, will, uh, must permit me to, uh, cross-examine further, uh, with this additional testimony?

Judge: You may proceed, Mr. (Krantz).

Q2: Eric, why didn't you tell anyone about the zipper before?

A1: I did, when it was on the stranger.

Q2: But Eric, this - this is your friend, your coach. Do you want to send him, this man, your friend, your coach, to jail, away from his two sons that are...

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Q2: ...your age?

Q1: I object, your Honor.

Q2: Do you want to see them grow up without a father?

Judge: Sustained.

Q2: You are in a court of law, young man. You took a solemn oath to tell the truth, so help you, God.

Q1: Objection, your Honor.

Judge: The witness has already taken the oath, Mr. (Krantz).

Q2: Yes, your Honor. Now, Eric, you admitted that you lied before, didn't you?

A1: Yeah.

Q2: And you lied when you said you knew the difference between a truth and a lie, didn't you? Because you just keep lying.

A1: He's gonna kill me.

Q2: You just keep making it up, don't you? Because you don't know the difference between fantasy and fact, lie and truth.

A1: He killed (Ralph), he killed (Ralph).

Q2: Who - who's (Ralph), Eric?

A1: Me and (Ralph) went to paint the shed with the coach. I said don't, but he said if I didn't, he'd kill me and my father while we were asleep, and he killed (Ralph) to show he'd do it.

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A1: I told everyone that (Ralph) ran away, but we really put him in a hole.

Woman: Excuse me.

Man: Excuse me. Excuse me.

721
722 Q1: The plea bargain is coming down to this. (Donovan) will plead guilty now if
723 we'll stipulate to a one-year sentence in the Rehabilitation Program for Sex
724 Offenders.
725
726 A: Is that a prison?
727
728 Q1: Prison hospital. I know it's light. They're willing to be you won't want to go
729 through this again at the real trial.
730
731 A: They're right.
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733 ((0:35:00))
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735 A: No more.
736
737 Man: Reporters and TV cameras are down this way.
738
739 Woman: There's Eric.
740
741 Man: There's Eric, there's the kid.
742
743 Q: Well, there probably won't be if you go down that way there. Eric, I want you
744 to know something. I think you're the bravest kid I have ever seen, and I am
745 so proud of you. (Unintelligible) never slept.
746
747 A: He's all that matters now. We're gonna be spending a lot of time together
748 from now on, son, if you'd like that. Joanne, I'd like it if sometime we could
749 all go together for an ice cream or something.
750
751 Q: I'd like that, anytime.
752
753 ((0:36:00))
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755 Man: You okay?
756
757 Q: Yeah - I don't know. That kid went through so much, and then on top of
758 everything else, we make him sit in that courtroom and tell the whole world.
759
760 Man: Ah, things like that are better out in the open, don't you think?
761
762 Q: I do. What are you doing here, anyway?
763
764 Man: I got tired of reading about you in the papers.
765

Q: Oh, being called fanatical witch hunter, no doubt. Well, dad, if you hadn't taught me about baseball, we'd have lost that case.

Man: I'm - I'm glad something good finally came out of it.

Q: I've been so bitter about us. I'm sorry.

Man: How about a celebration, a night...

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Man: ...on the town?

Q: You got it. No hot dogs.

Man: Oh, no.

Q: Come on, I'm not gonna tell the guys you rode in a foreign car.

Man: Coach. Coach (Donovan), Coach (Donovan).

((Crosstalk))

Man: Move over this way.

Man: Hey. Come on, you did good.

Q: Get in the car.

((0:38:00))

Man: They are child abusers. And they have become a nationwide ordeal.

A: Tell them what you did to Eric, tell her.

Man: Easy.

A: Tell her what you did to Eric, tell her.

Man: They're every parent's nightmare, and a child's ultimate anguish. Lindsey Wagner, Peter Coyote, "Child's Cry."

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A: It's okay, son, you'll see.

Woman: Good morning. (Unintelligible) meeting.

Woman: Hi, Joanne. I've been looking for you, Joanne.

Q: I know.

Man: (Maxine) is looking for you, Joanne.

Q: Okay.

Man: Get the (unintelligible) Joanne (Maxine) is looking for.

Woman: We'll all get by if we just pull a little harder, okay. And I mean it about those volunteers. Youth Division is overloaded and the Director is counting on us, so if we all...

Q: (Unintelligible) anything, I want more cases.

Man: No, baby, she wants volunteers for Youth.

Woman: I'll see you all, I'm speaking to each of you alone about this. We could see it, Joanne, you're late, again.

Q: Last time, (Max). I've got some clients waiting. Can you, uh, fill me in later?

Woman: My pleasure.

Woman: Look, all we were doing is talking to ma, she's going on deaf.

Q: Mrs. (Gorowski), your neighbors recorded...

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Q: ...a riot going on in your living room.

Woman: She won't wear an aid. Hurts her looks. The boys don't like it, huh, ma?

Q: I'd like to interview your mother alone now, please.

Woman: What for, you want laryngitis? Look, it's a family matter, it's none of your business, okay?

Q: When the police report says domestic violence, it becomes my business. I'll write notes to her, we'll be just fine.

Woman: Well, be quick. I got to chauffer her to the doctor, and I ain't taking another day off work.

Woman: It was a quarrel, a bad one.

Q: You hear?

Woman: I do this so they don't think I hear them fighting.

Q: If you let me, I can find some space for you in a housing program.

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Woman: She (unintelligible).

Man: Dinner? Tuna.

Q: People food tuna, or cat food tuna?

Man: Tuna, it's all the same.

Q: One is made for people, Mr. (Edelman). You have to have a decent diet for people.

Man: Only difference is (unintelligible).

Man: See, uh, Ms. Van Buren, (Becky) was on her knees looking for her contact lens, and I opened the door and the doorknob hit her in the eye.

Q: Okay. (Becky), I want you to tell me that you willingly retracted the charges of assault and battery you filed against your husband.

Man: Now, Ms. Van Buren, she...

Q: (Becky).

Man: ...done what she done, and I have to object when you make all kinds of wild

901 insinuations, like I forced her to retract this.
902
903 Q: Will you please wait outside, Mr. (Parkinson)?
904
905 ((0:45:00))
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907 Man: I mean we have our ups and downs, like all married couples, but our marriage
908 is basically blissful, isn't that right, honey?
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910 Q: Please wait outside, Mr. (Parkinson). Don't make me call a guard to escort
911 you.
912
913 Man: You know, Ms. Van Buren, I believe I know why you enjoy doing this.
914
915 Q: Oh, you can tell?
916
917 Man: Oh, yeah. I know you're one of these liberated women who don't believe in
918 marriage, family, children. Too old-fashioned, no. You're modern. You'd
919 rather spend your night in the singles bars, blinking your eye and
920 (unintelligible) whiskers, so you go out, you run around, wreck a lot of
921 basically blissful homes and, uh, the more homes you wreck, the more of us
922 men there are for you, simple as that.
923
924 Q: You don't know the first thing about me, buddy, but I sure know you. You are
925 a pathetic little coward, and so stupid you think you're - you're a big man
926 when you beat your wife. You know, every day I see guys like you, every
927 stinking day. What are you gonna do...
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929 ((0:46:00))
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931 Q: ...are you gonna hit me now, huh? Well, good, but you better kill me 'cause
932 I'm not gonna drop my charges, pal. Come on, give me your best shot, big
933 shot. Come on, give me one right there.
934
935 Woman: Are you all right?
936
937 Man: What happened?
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939 Woman: Yeah, we got to get security.
940
941 Man: Come on, come on, let's go.
942
943 Woman: Joanne, what...
944
945 Man: It was nothing.

Man: Just keep walking, sir. You got to call security.

Man: It's all right. Don't worry about it, it'll be okay.

Q: Dad, it's your birthday. Why can't I treat you to something a little nicer than a hot dog?

Man: Hot dog goes with a ball game. At my age, all my birthday means is I'm that much closer to rejoining your mother. (Joni), the bases are loaded. (Joni), you haven't said a thing. Hey, hey, hey, what? What's this? What is it?

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Q: I, uh, did a really stupid thing today. I tried to pick a fight with a client.

Man: I'm surprised you waited so long, considering that crowd you work with.

Q: You're proud of me?

Man: Hey, come on, we're supposed to be celebrating. How about a little cheer? Come on, join me. (Joni). I hope one of us has been doing something worth celebrating.

Q: I got to get back, dad.

Man: Wow, time really flew, didn't it?

Q: Yeah.

Man: You, uh, you have a boyfriend or boyfriends, or anything I should maybe be aware of?

Q: No. You got a girl?

Man: Yes, I do, and I'm trying to find out what she's up to, too. You ever get out with that friend downstairs?

Q: (Phyllis)? No, she moved to Hawaii.

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Man: Ah. Why not visit her? Who knows? At those luaus, what might happen?

Q: A luau? Come on, dad, I'm doing fine. Besides, I already had my vacation.

991 Come on, I'll give you a ride.
992
993 Man: No, thanks.
994
995 Q: It's not out of my way.
996
997 Man: I'm fine, I'll get a bus right here.
998
999 Q: Dad, I know you built cars for 30 years, and I know this isn't one of them. But
1000 it's just a car. It runs, I'm happy.
1001
1002 Man: Not when my plant is closed and my men are still out of work. Buy American.
1003 Some of those clients of yours might get decent jobs working there too.
1004
1005 Q: Dad, (unintelligible).
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1007 ((0:49:00))
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1009 Woman: You shouted at a client.
1010
1011 Q: I should have punched him, probably knocking around even as we speak.
1012
1013 Woman: So who are you to shout at or punch anybody? Dirty Harry? Look, what's
1014 going on here with you anyway?
1015
1016 Q: I had a bad day. Bad client, bad lunch with my father.
1017
1018 Woman: So that's your bad day? Like hell. You have been a social worker, a good
1019 social worker here for seven years. You're the only one I can count on, and I
1020 don't mean just to be here on time.
1021
1022 Q: Look, I had a bad day, that's it.
1023
1024 Woman: You know what you need? You need a change of scenery, and I just happen to
1025 have the thing. Child Services needs volunteers.
1026
1027 Q: Please, please, come on.
1028
1029 Woman: You know, I could - oh, I should fire you. But I just need a qualified,
1030 experience volunteer, so the that the Director can get off my back, and you
1031 need a break from here.
1032
1033 Q: I can't. I have clients here, you gave them to me.
1034
1035 Woman: Yes, I did, the pits.

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Woman: They're wearing you down, Joanne. It could happen to anybody, it's an occupational hazard.

Q: If you don't think I'm doing my job properly, then maybe you should fire me.

Woman: Look, I'm trying to keep you here. Now you're always late. How long 'til you don't come in at all? Look, I need good caseworkers, and you used to be one. You need to face it, Joanne.

Q: Okay.

Woman: I'll tell them to expect you. And consider yourself severely reprimanded.

Man: Hi, you're (Joan), right?

Q: Joanne Van Buren.

Man: (Mark Thurlough), on staff psychologist. Let's go upstairs. Go caterpillars now, caterpillar style.

Q: Quite a group.

Man: Oh, yeah. So you've dealt with kids before, had some training?

Q: Well, yes. I usually deal with the parents though.

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Man: Well, just rely on your instincts. Best tools any of us have. Any questions, I'm around.

Q: Okay.

Man: Come on, they won't bite.

Q: You're sure?

Man: Yeah, sometimes. Ms. Van Buren, this is a friend of mine. Now I'm gonna take care of some things, let you two get to know each other, and I'll be back later, okay?

1081 Q: Hello. Why don't you come with me, and you can sit right here, okay?
1082
1083 Man: Come on. See that right there?
1084
1085 Q: My name is Ms. Van Buren. What's your name, hm? You want to tell me your
1086 name?
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1088 ((0:52:00))
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1090 Q: Hey. I'm Joanne. Are you deaf? Can you hear? Well, it says here that you
1091 have been here for one whole day and haven't said a word to anybody, and
1092 that you were found sleeping in the zoo, with the lions roaring, and the
1093 monkeys and the birds squeaking and squawking, and you still fell asleep? I
1094 bet you could sleep through a train wreck, huh?
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1096 A1: No.
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1098 Q: Hey. Hey, do you have a name, a real name?
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1100 A1: Eric.
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1102 Q: Um, it's okay, Eric.
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1104 ((0:53:00))
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1106 Q: Now you're gonna be going home pretty soon.
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1108 A: Excuse me, I'm looking for my...
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1110 Q: Mr. Townsend?
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1112 A: Ms. Van Buren?
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1114 Q: Yes.
1115
1116 A: I can't believe that he's here. I called the police, they had no idea where he
1117 was. That's incompetent. That's bureaucratic incompetence.
1118
1119 Q: I'm sorry, Mr. Townsend, but as soon as your son told us his name, we called
1120 every Townsend in the phonebook.
1121
1122 A: Okay, all right. Is he - is he all right? I want to take him home right away.
1123
1124 Q: Yes, he's fine. The doctor found a few cuts and bruises, but he did have a
1125 good night's sleep.

1126
1127 A: God, he made me so crazy.
1128
1129 Q: Mr. Townsend, this is the second time that Zoo Security has found Eric
1130 asleep. Now is there anything you know of that could explain that?
1131
1132 A: No, I don't. Exploring?
1133
1134 Q: I'd like to ask you some questions for my report.
1135
1136 A: Of course.
1137
1138 Q: Um, does Eric have brothers or sisters?
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1140 A: No.
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1142 Q: And are you married?
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1144 A: Separated, actually. I have custody.
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1146 ((0:54:00))
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1148 A: Eric's mother travels a great deal.
1149
1150 Q: What school does Eric go to?
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1152 A: (Baxter) Elementary, 1st grade.
1153
1154 Q: And, uh, does he have any problems there?
1155
1156 A: No. What is this? You told me he was fine.
1157
1158 Q: Well, he is, physically.
1159
1160 A: Well, then he's fine.
1161
1162 Q: It's just that he is, uh, very, very shy.
1163
1164 A: Well, he's - he's a good, shy boy. What can I explain - Eric, where were you?
1165 I told you the last time you were never, ever - I'm sorry. I'm sorry, I'm sorry,
1166 tiger. You had me so scared. Let's go home. Thank you.
1167
1168 Man: So, did you get my client's name?
1169
1170 Q: Yeah, Eric Townsend...

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Q: ...his father took him home.

Man: Hey, good work.

Q: Can we go somewhere to talk?

Man: Sure.

Q: What's all this?

Man: We interview disturbed kids here.

Q: (Clark), he broke down and cried right in my arms.

Man: The boy got lost at the zoo. He fell asleep, and he got scared here.

Q: I don't think he was lost. He's been found asleep on that same bench at the zoo. He knows where it is.

Man: What else do we know?

Q: His father has a temper. He really barked at the boy, but I mean that - that could be normal, right? I mean he was scared.

Man: Could be. You think he's been abused?

Q: Abused, you mean sexually?

Man: No, I mean emotionally, physically, or sexually? Joanne, that's where overcrowding comes from. The little girl...

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Man: I was talking to, the boys were racing downstairs, all abused in some way.

Q: Well, the doctor's report didn't have any signs of - of abuse.

Man: Except in the worst cases, a doctor can't tell for sure whether a child's been abused. It's our job. All right. Father has a temper, mother left him. Boy avoids home by going to the zoo, where he sleeps, which means he probably doesn't sleep at home. There's tears, shyness, bruises.

1216 Q: (Clark), I sent him home. His behavior could be perfectly normal though,
1217 couldn't it? I mean his mother's gone. He - he's upset, he plays hard, he gets
1218 bruises and cuts and - or his father hits him.
1219
1220 Man: See, if we even suspect neglect or abuse in the home, which is where most of
1221 it occurs, we have to call the police, it's the law.
1222
1223 Q: But what if we just suspect and we're wrong? I mean there's so much, this...
1224
1225 Man: Hysteria about child abuse?
1226
1227 Q: Yeah. I mean if we - we separate a child from his parents and then - and then
1228 go through a whole investigation...
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1230 ((0:57:00))
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1232 Q: ...and we're wrong, what do you...
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1234 Man: You're right. We have to be careful and we have to strike a balance, but
1235 remember this. The law was designed to protect the children, not the parents'
1236 feelings.
1237
1238 Q: Hello.
1239
1240 Woman: Oh, hello. Can I help you?
1241
1242 Q: Uh, yes. Well, actually I don't know. Have all kids gone home?
1243
1244 Woman: Long ago. I'm the principal, Ms., um...
1245
1246 Q: Van Buren, how do you do? Actually the school was on my way home, I just
1247 thought I'd...
1248
1249 Woman: Mm-hm.
1250
1251 Q: ...take a chance.
1252
1253 Woman: Well, which teacher did you want to see?
1254
1255 Q: I'm not sure. I'm a Social Worker with DSS, and it's about I.
1256 He's a 1st grader here.
1257
1258 Woman: It's about time one of you got here.
1259
1260 Q: What do you mean?

Woman: Eric, he keeps falling asleep in the classroom. And when he's not, well, he might as well. Doesn't pay attention anymore. From one-time class clown, it's a total personality change.

Q: He - why didn't someone call his...

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Woman: I did. I told the father myself.

Q: (Clark), the father lied. He knew Eric had problems in school. Yeah, a complete personality change. Now combine that with everything else, and - yes, I am worried. I think I sent him home too soon. Hm? Well, I'm gonna need authorization. No, (Ramirez)? Okay, thank you. Bye. Do we really need them too?

Man: They'll help us persuade him his kid will be safer in a child shelter.

Q: But that's only a last resort. If he's got some kind of an explanation...

Man: Look, Ms. Van Buren. You suspected him even before he went to that school or you wouldn't have gone there. Now that's when the law says we should have been called. He may have already left town with the kid.

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A1: (Unintelligible) hold up. (Unintelligible), dad.

Q: Well, if they are here, there's no harm in asking for an explanation first.

Man: It's your job to decide, Ms. Van Buren. We have to make certain the boy's safe, okay.

Q: Hi, Eric, is your father here?

A: Yes, he is.

Q: Hello.

A: Hello. What's this?

Q: This is Sergeant (Ramirez) from the Police Department Youth Division. Mr. Townsend, I called him because the story you told me was very different from the one that I heard at Eric's school.

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1307 A: Eric, go play. To tell you the truth, Mrs. Van Buren, after you assured me that
1308 Eric was fine, I didn't see the need to discuss anything any further.
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1310 Q: You lied to me, Mr. Townsend. Now if I had known the truth...
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1312 A: Look, I will call a family doctor first thing in the morning, all right.
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1314 ((1:00:00))
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1316 A: All right, I'll call him right now, do you feel better? I'm a very private person.
1317 I don't like policemen and social workers involved in our lives. Is that a
1318 crime? Can you understand that?
1319
1320 Q: I'm gonna be very blunt with you. We believe that Eric may have been
1321 abused, physically, mentally, perhaps sexually, and we've come to make sure
1322 that this boy is safe.
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1324 A: Abused? My son? That's impossible. You yourself told me two hours ago he
1325 was fine.
1326
1327 Q: At that point, Mr. Townsend, you concealed certain facts about your son's
1328 problem. Now you're being uncooperative, and before we got here you didn't
1329 even consider calling a doctor. How do you explain that?
1330
1331 A: Explain? I don't have to explain. You think that...you not only think that Eric
1332 was abused, you think that I did it?
1333
1334 Q: Mr. Townsend, (unintelligible) he's safe.
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1336 A: But he is safe, you can see him right here. Now you cannot be in this house
1337 without a warrant.
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1339 ((1:01:00))
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1341 A: Just get the hell out.
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1343 Man: Not when a child's safety is at stake.
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1345 Q: It's the law, Mr. Townsend. We have the right. Eric, you're gonna spend a
1346 few more days where you were last night. There's nothing to be afraid of, no
1347 one's gonna hurt you.
1348
1349 A: It's all right, son, go with her. I'll be right there.
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1351 Q: Come on.
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1353 A: Don't be afraid.
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1355 Boy: Bye, mom, don't be a stranger.
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1357 ((1:02:00))
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1359 ((1:03:00))
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1361 ((1:04:00))
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1363 Man: We now return to the television premier of "Child's Cry."
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1365 Man: Eric. Eric, there's nothing to be afraid of in answering a few simple questions,
1366 is there? Okay, now once more, has anyone spanked you too hard, hit you
1367 when you were bad?
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1369 A1: No.
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1371 Man: Nobody at all? Even yelled at you or locked you in your room?
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1373 A1: No.
1374
1375 Man: Eric, has anybody even just touched you in a way you didn't like? In a place
1376 you didn't want to be touched? Who did it, Eric?
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1378 A1: Did what?
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1380 Man: Don't you want us to punish this guy? Tell us what happened, son. Was it
1381 your father?
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1383 Q: Hey, hey guys.
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1385 ((1:05:00))
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1387 Q: Could we just have a minute please, alone? Eric. It's okay, Eric. You're not in
1388 trouble here, okay. You haven't done anything wrong, and nobody's gonna
1389 punish you, and this isn't a prison.
1390
1391 A1: Nothing happened. Nothing.
1392
1393 Q: Okay. Tell you what. Let's go read a story, and then we'll put you to bed, hm?
1394 Morning.
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1396 Man: Eric will have a detention hearing after three days. Come in, sit down. If the
1397 judge decides...
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1399 ((1:06:00))
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1401 Man: ...that he may still be in emotional or physical danger at home, Eric may have
1402 to spend up to three weeks in a shelter while we investigate. Then after
1403 reviewing the case again, if the judge decides...
1404
1405 A: Three weeks? And then the judge could still decide to keep him? Eric is a
1406 normal, shy little boy. I want him home now before you make something
1407 wrong with him.
1408
1409 Q: Mr. Townsend, we think there's something wrong with him now. This is just
1410 what we know about him so far. He has twice been found asleep on the same
1411 bench at the zoo, so he knows where it is, he's not exploring, he's avoiding
1412 home. He sleeps at school or at the zoo instead of home, and that shy little boy
1413 used to be the class clown. Now we also have to consider your behavior.
1414 You've lied to us and your son is afraid of you.
1415
1416 A: That's because he knew I would be angry because he hadn't come home. I
1417 was mad, that's all. You know, and for the rest of this, I'm sorry, it doesn't
1418 seem so unusual.
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1420 ((1:07:00))
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1422 Q: You know, you could help us by answering some questions, Mr. Townsend.
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1424 A: Well, fire away.
1425
1426 Q: Have you noticed any change in Eric's behavior in the last month or two?
1427
1428 A: No. Look, I know that I haven't spent enough time with Eric lately. I've
1429 started a new agency. My nights, my weekends have been busier than I would
1430 like. Maybe that would explain something...
1431
1432 Q: Do you drink, Mr. Townsend?
1433
1434 A: I don't have a problem with it.
1435
1436 Q: Look, I'm sorry. I - I know - this is a personal problem, and the questions
1437 have to reflect that. Do you ever spank or hit Eric?
1438
1439 A: When it's necessary. Look, Eric is a normal boy and I am a normal father, but
1440 you twist that around and you make it look like I would abuse my own son?

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1442 Q: I hope you're right. Show us we're wrong, that's all we're asking.
1443
1444 A: Not while I'm on trial here.
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1446 ((1:08:00))
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1448 Q: We aren't accusing or excluding anybody. Our job here is to protect Eric, not
1449 you.
1450
1451 A: Yes, well, I'll see what my lawyer has to say about it.
1452
1453 Q: Some room, huh? You can lay down, you can wrestle. You can play catch.
1454 You on a ball team? Yeah? What position do you play?
1455
1456 A1: Shortstop.
1457
1458 Q: Really? You must have a pretty strong arm to make that throw from deep in
1459 the hole behind third?
1460
1461 A1: How'd you know?
1462
1463 ((1:09:00))
1464
1465 Q: Oh, my father. He talks about baseball in his sleep. What about yours?
1466
1467 A1: Tries to watch my games, if he's not at work.
1468
1469 A: Hi, Eric. I brought you something. Your favorite toys from home. Some
1470 games. Eric.
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1472 ((1:10:00))
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1474 ((1:11:00))
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1476 ((1:12:00))
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1478 ((1:13:00))
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1480 ((1:14:00))
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1482 Recording: Hi, it's your old man. I just wanted to talk peace. Anyway, I'm glad you're
1483 not just sitting there playing with those canaries. Bye.
1484
1485 Recording: Ms. Van Buren, this is (Dorothy) at the Child's Shelter. A Mr. Townsend

1486 wants you to call him. He said you'd know what it's about.
1487
1488 Q: Thank you for letting me come.
1489
1490 A: Well, it was my lawyer's idea really. He said you had acted legally, and that if
1491 I wanted Eric home soon, I should cooperate, so come in, please.
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1493 ((1:15:00))
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1495 Q: About the other night, Mr. Townsend, we did have to take Eric, but we could
1496 have handled it more sensitively, I'm sorry.
1497
1498 A: Well, I suppose my behavior had something to do with it. I'm a single parent,
1499 Ms. Van Buren. I get very sensitive when someone suggests that I can't or
1500 shouldn't raise Eric by myself, then this.
1501
1502 Q: I can understand that.
1503
1504 A: But yesterday I saw something that I'd never seen before. Eric afraid of me,
1505 really afraid, and honest to God, I don't know why. I would have taken him to
1506 the doctor if I thought he was sick, but falling asleep in school, that's like, um,
1507 I used to do that once a week. I'm gonna show you his room.
1508
1509 Q: Eric was the team's most valuable player, huh?
1510
1511 A: Well, actually the coach gives trophies...
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1513 ((1:16:00))
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1515 A: ...to all the boys. It's good for morale. Eric's not a natural, but he practices all
1516 the time and he tries hard.
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1518 Q: He keeps drawing pictures with a dog in it.
1519
1520 A: That's Eric's Golden Retriever. She ran away about six weeks ago. Her name
1521 was (Ralph).
1522
1523 Q: Did he miss him - her a lot?
1524
1525 A: Yeah, he did. So much so that when I suggested we get a new (Ralph), he said
1526 no, absolutely wouldn't.
1527
1528 Q: I'd like to ask you about your wife, Mr. Townsend. Where is she now?
1529
1530 A: I don't know.

1531
1532 Q: I know you're concerned about keeping custody of Eric at the detention
1533 hearing, but I do have to know.
1534
1535 A: I don't know. She, uh, just left me a note full of the usual stuff. She and I were
1536 not very big on long goodbyes. I knew as soon as I told you that, that you'd
1537 think that I beat her, or perhaps she caught me doing something to our son. I
1538 suppose it's natural to think that...
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1540 ((1:17:00))
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1542 A: ...but the truth is that neither of those things happened. That's the truth.
1543
1544 Q: What do you do when you don't know who or what to believe?
1545
1546 Man: How do you mean?
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1548 Q: Look at that, is that the behavior of a child whose father abuses him? I mean
1549 you're the expert.
1550
1551 Man: Could be. Children abused by their parents often still love them very much.
1552 Imagine carrying those two feelings around inside you all your life.
1553
1554 Q: Well, what if his father's telling the truth? What if he just didn't want us
1555 intruding on his private life? I mean what if there's nothing wrong with Eric?
1556
1557 Man: Joanne, none of us want to believe this is happening, but there are over 4
1558 million molesters in this country, and over half of them are abusing children in
1559 the home. It's happening and anybody, any age, any status, any IQ could be
1560 one. As for Eric being all right, do you really believe that?
1561
1562 Q: No.
1563
1564 Man: Sometimes it takes a child a long time to let go of his secret. And sometimes
1565 they never do.
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1567 Q: Well, are we supposed to keep him forever?
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1569 Woman: Now, as I read this report...
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1571 ((1:18:00))
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1573 Woman: ...Mr. Townsend, you appear to have brought this situation on yourself, by
1574 lying to Ms. Van Buren, and treating her as your enemy.
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1576 A: Your Honor, no one can even tell me that there's anything wrong with Eric,
1577 but they're holding him anyway. They can't tell me when they'll know if
1578 there's something wrong, if they ever will. Why then can't he come home?
1579
1580 Woman: Sir, this is not a criminal proceeding, and you're not on trial. But given your
1581 actions, I cannot allow your son to go home until I'm convinced he's safe
1582 there. Now, do you have any relatives in town where Eric might stay instead
1583 of the Children's Shelter?
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1585 A: Not in this town, no, ma'am.
1586
1587 Woman: Uh, as there's no mother or relatives around, I see no alternative but to have
1588 Eric remain at the Shelter for three more weeks, while the police and Ms. Van
1589 Buren investigate.
1590
1591 Man: Uh, your Honor, Eric's baseball team has a game coming up, and I'm told it's
1592 his first love. Would it be all right if Eric plays?
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1594 ((1:19:00))
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1596 Q: I'd be happy to supervise him.
1597
1598 Woman: All right then. Eric, we've been talking about you here. Do you have any
1599 questions? Anything you would like to say?
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1601 Q: The whole thing isn't very much fun, is it? Tell you what, if you could go
1602 anywhere or do anything you wanted to do, what would you do right now?
1603
1604 ((1:20:00))
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1606 Q: You really like this place, don't you? You even come here when you're not
1607 supposed to. The place hasn't changed much in the last 100 years or so, since
1608 I was your age.
1609
1610 A1: Hundred?
1611
1612 Q: Oh, at least. My father used to bring me here. You know, they used to have a
1613 carnival section where they had booths and games, and my dad, he would
1614 stand there and he would throw these baseballs at these milk bottles, until he
1615 would finally win me a teddy bear, and then we could go home, but I'll bet
1616 you I stood there for six hours once.
1617
1618 A1: I'm glad they aren't here anymore.
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1620 ((1:21:00))

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1622 A1: My mom (unintelligible).
1623
1624 Q: Didn't your dad ever bring you here? Not much fun being a kid when your
1625 mom's not around and your dad's working all the time, is it?
1626
1627 A1: My mom would let me have cotton candy.
1628
1629 Q: Yeah, but I know what it's made of. Yuck, it's gross.
1630
1631 A1: You sound like a mom.
1632
1633 Q: No, not me.
1634
1635 A1: Don't you want to be?
1636
1637 Q: We're supposed to be talking about you, not me here.
1638
1639 A1: Wow, look.
1640
1641 Man: I'm getting nervous.
1642
1643 Man: Don't worry about it, I am too. Whoa, up front.
1644
1645 Man: No, Eric walked to school and back every day. He was way too smart to
1646 accept rides from strangers.
1647
1648 Q: Is there anything you can remember that might be helpful at all, anything?
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1650 ((1:22:00))
1651
1652 Man: Sorry. Come on, kids.
1653
1654 Q: Thank you. Was there a moment or a day when you first noticed something
1655 different about Eric in class?
1656
1657 Woman: I didn't really notice he'd stopped raising his hand 'til that day he first fell
1658 asleep. That's when I told the principal.
1659
1660 Q: Is there anybody that you can think of that would possibly have...
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1662 Woman: He occasionally takes a drink.
1663
1664 Q: How much, Mrs. (Conley)? A drop? Several? Mrs. (Conley), does Mr.
1665 Townsend ever spank Eric or strike him?

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1667 Woman: When young Eric needs straightening out. Well, now that's what turns bad
1668 boys into good boys, isn't it?
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1670 ((1:23:00))
1671
1672 Man: Yes.
1673
1674 Q: Mr. (Donovan)?
1675
1676 Man: Uh-huh.
1677
1678 Q: Uh, I'm sorry to bother you. However, I...
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1680 Man: Don't tell me, you've got a kid that wants to play ball. No, I'm sorry, we've
1681 already started our season.
1682
1683 Q: No, that's not it. I'm a social worker and I'd like to you about Eric Townsend.
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1685 Man: Well, sure, come on in.
1686
1687 Q: Thank you.
1688
1689 Man: Eric? Eric Townsend?
1690
1691 Q: Did you notice anything? Changes in his play, a stranger hanging around the
1692 park perhaps? Did his father come to the ballgames, the practices?
1693
1694 Man: Mm, don't remember seeing him.
1695
1696 Q: How has Eric seemed to you, lately, just in general? Have you noticed any
1697 change in his behavior?
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1699 Man: No, he seemed fine. Listen, is it safe around here - for other kids?
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1701 ((1:24:00))
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1703 Man: Come on, Eric.
1704
1705 A: I used to think that the worst thing that could happen to us was that, uh, Eric
1706 wouldn't get accepted into an Ivy League college.
1707
1708 Q: But we haven't found anything yet. Police are still doing their background
1709 checks, reviewing their files.
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1711 ((1:25:00))
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1713 A: So when are you gonna decide if I'm not the one?
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1715 Q: Legally, the judge has to...
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1717 A: Don't give me that. The judge is gonna listen to you. If that boy has been
1718 abused, doesn't he belong in his own home, where he's loved and cared for?
1719
1720 Q: If the home...
1721
1722 A: There's no ifs. What do I have to do to convince you that I did not abuse my
1723 own son?
1724
1725 Q: I don't know.
1726
1727 A: Okay, son, no long faces now. They're taking good care of you, they're
1728 treating you right. You know I'm trying to get down and visit every second I
1729 can.
1730
1731 A1: Can't I come home with you, dad?
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1733 A: Maybe in a couple days, son.
1734
1735 A1: Why not now?
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1737 A: Son, I bet if you told Ms. Van Buren what really happened, you could come
1738 home in no time.
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1740 A1: But I keep telling her, nothing happened. She won't believe me.
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1742 ((1:26:00))
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1744 A: Okay. She's waiting, son.
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1746 ((1:27:00))
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1748 ((1:28:00))
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1750 ((1:29:00))
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1752 ((1:30:00))
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1754 ((1:31:00))
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1756 Q: The karate king, huh?
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1758 A1: Kung Fu.
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1760 Q: Oh, Kung Fu? You still think this is a prison for bad kids?
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1762 ((1:32:00))
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1764 A1: I don't think that. Why don't you spend time with the other kids?
1765
1766 Q: Well, because you were assigned to me, and because I like you. And I
1767 especially like you when you ask me questions, so you don't have to answer
1768 my questions. Come here, sit. You afraid to go home?
1769
1770 A1: No.
1771
1772 Q: 'Cause nothing happened there?
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1774 A1: Nothing happened.
1775
1776 Q: Oh, well, you know, if I'd have been brought here like you were and I'd been
1777 taken out of my home like I robbed a bank or something, and the police asked
1778 me all those questions, and then I wasn't allowed to leave here, and then I had
1779 to go sit in a courtroom with a judge and lawyers, I - I'd think I'd done
1780 something pretty bad, that I was in a prison for bad kids, I - I think I'd think
1781 that.
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1783 ((1:33:00))
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1785 Q: But you don't because nothing happened to you? I think I'd be pretty scared
1786 too, and no matter how many times somebody told me I hadn't done anything
1787 wrong, I - I think I'd be sure that I had. May-maybe I'd never tell anybody
1788 what happened to me. But, you know, you're a Kung Fu expert. You wouldn't
1789 be afraid, would you? Eric. Are you - are you afraid that it's too - that you'll
1790 gross me out? Because, you know, I've heard so many secrets. I - I bet you
1791 I've heard every secret there is in the world, and you couldn't possibly gross
1792 me out.
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1794 ((1:34:00))
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1796 A1: Oh.
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1798 Q: Oh, come on, let it out. You're safe here.
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1800 A1: I couldn't sleep.

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1802 Q: It's okay, let it out.
1803
1804 A1: This man.
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1806 Q: What man?
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1808 A1: Said I could have a ride home. I didn't know him.
1809
1810 Q: It was sexual abuse.
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1812 Man: Not just touching?
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1814 Q: No.
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1816 Man: One time or repeated?
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1818 Q: (Clark), the kid's a mess. I didn't ask every detail.
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1820 Man: It's chronic, repeated, the recovery's that much more difficult, that's all.
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1822 Q: Probably once. I mean he said it was a stranger, gave him a ride home from
1823 school.
1824
1825 Man: Do you believe him?
1826
1827 Q: I don't know.
1828
1829 Man: Could be covering for somebody, like his father.
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1831 Q: He's not afraid to go home, he wants to go.
1832
1833 Man: A child desperate to get out of here might say anything he had to.
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1835 Q: (Clark), I've seen them together.
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1837 ((1:35:00))
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1839 Q: I mean Eric recoils from his father, yes, but gosh, I used to do the same thing
1840 when I was a kid, and my father was angry at me. My father would have lied
1841 to get me out of here. The fact that Mr. Townsend completely overlooked his
1842 son's personality change, well, all that really means is that he works too hard,
1843 and he's lousy raising his kid by himself. That's a crummy way to grow up,
1844 but then we can't fix everything here, can we? If Eric's home is safe, that's
1845 where he belongs, not here.

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1847 Man: You know?
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1849 Q: I'm sending him home. Hello.
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1851 A: Hello.
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1853 Q: The judge has already signed the order, and Eric's putting his toys together.
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1855 A: You finally believed him when he told you nothing happened?
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1857 Q: Mr. Townsend, when Eric and I came back from the game...
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1859 ((1:36:00))
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1861 Q: ...we had a talk, and he told me that something did happen. He was sexually
1862 abused by a stranger.
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1864 A: Oh, God.
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1866 Q: I'm sorry.
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1868 A: How do I help him?
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1870 ((1:37:00))
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1872 A: What do I...
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1874 Q: Love him. Be there for him when he needs you, and he will need you a lot.
1875
1876 A: How you doing, son?
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1878 A1: Okay.
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1880 A: You ready to come home? Uh, can we wait 'til tomorrow to discuss the
1881 details?
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1883 Q: I've got the name of a private therapist for him. Police are gonna want to talk
1884 to Eric again, sorry.
1885
1886 A1: Why?
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1888 ((1:38:00))
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1890 Q: Because they're gonna want to hear the whole thing from you. And you're not

1891 gonna be afraid to tell them, are you?
1892
1893 A1: But I told you. I played kickball late at school, and he said he'd take me home.
1894
1895 Q: Eric, is there anything else you can remember, anything at all? Don't be
1896 afraid.
1897
1898 A1: His truck. Blue. He had a zipper.
1899
1900 A: A zipper? I want this man caught. I want this man caught and punished.
1901
1902 Q: Blue truck isn't that much for the police to go on. Okay, young man. What are
1903 you gonna do the next time somebody tries to touch you that shouldn't, huh?
1904
1905 A1: Say no, go and tell someone.
1906
1907 Q: That's right. You promise, now you run, huh?
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1909 ((1:39:00))
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1911 A1: I promise. I promise.
1912
1913 Q: Mr. Townsend? I just wanted to say more than I'm sorry about Eric. I was
1914 terribly wrong about you, and I'm sorry.
1915
1916 A: Well, none of that matters now.
1917
1918 Q: Well, if there's anything I can do, if Eric or you just want to talk, I want you
1919 to call.
1920
1921 A: I don't understand. Are you quitting your job?
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1923 Q: No. No, it's, uh, our - our job is finished here, and now it's for the police and
1924 the private therapist, I thought you knew that?
1925
1926 A: Why? Eric knows you, he talks to you.
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1928 Q: I - I have 25 other cases that I've ignored for Eric, Mr. Townsend. The
1929 Department's jurisdiction...
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1931 A: You just move on to the next one? How can you do that. He still needs help.
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1933 ((1:40:00))
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1935 A: You know that.

Man: You're, uh, not very talkative.

Q: Makes two of us.

Man: I'd hope we'd talk peace, instead we don't talk.

Q: Well, you've got to admit it's pretty peaceful around here. Sorry. Been working with this boy, he's six, molested.

((1:41:00))

Man: He's six, huh?

Q: Yeah. It's just work, dad.

Man: Joanne, I'm trying to get you to share just a wee bit of your life with me.

Q: Why? So you can hit me with one of your zingers about working with people on welfare?

Man: You and I are the only family each other has. I think about that a lot these days.

Q: Well, where have you been? I realized that 30 years ago at mama's funeral.

Man: You're carrying on again. We've always talked.

Q: About baseball. You know that, and I had to become the world's foremost authority on baseball, just to talk to my own father. I'm not bitter, but it's a fact, dad.

Man: You ought to give me a little more credit. I can tell something is eating you p, I'd like to know what it is.

Q: It's the boy. It just made me think about a lot of things, dad. I mean I spent a lot of time with him.

((1:42:00))

Q: It's, um, out of my hands now.

Man: What is?

Q: The case. He told us a stranger did it, but I don't know, you know, he - he

1981 volunteered some things, but then suddenly remembered some details, and...
1982
1983 Man: And what are you gonna do about it?
1984
1985 Q: Dad, it's out of my hands. Besides, after seven years, believe me, you learn
1986 not to get personally involved.
1987
1988 Man: I see.
1989
1990 Man: Look, Ms. Van Buren, I want to show you this. This is cat food, .31. This is
1991 .79. They're both tuna. But you could save a lot of money, you people.
1992
1993 Woman: And now this year we have 850, and I need to know what we're gonna do
1994 about it, so I'm gonna need all of your input. You can watch, you can take
1995 notes today, and then submit...
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1997 ((1:43:00))
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1999 Woman: ...whatever you have about your cases, especially if they have to do with this.
2000 (Unintelligible). Miss all the old faces?
2001
2002 Q: Yeah, they barely held on without me, didn't they?
2003
2004 Woman: What are you working overtime on?
2005
2006 Q: I'm just catching up on a couple things. Eric. (Max), Eric told me he took a
2007 ride home from a stranger. The crosswalk guard at the school said Eric was
2008 much too smart for that - I made a note of it, it's right here. I just found it
2009 again.
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2011 Woman: Oh, Joanne. You know you can't keep going through section meetings and
2012 client interviews thinking about one...
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2014 ((1:44:00))
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2016 Woman: ...little boy. You're letting your emotions take over.
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2018 Q: Well, what if I am? I - I like this kid. I really care about him and I - I mean
2019 you sent me to Youth to get more involved, and...
2020
2021 Woman: Mm, yeah, so you'll do a better job when you come back to me.
2022
2023 Q: Well, I will. I'm just involved in this right now.
2024
2025 Woman: (Unintelligible) then.

2026
2027 Q: Thanks.
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2029 Woman: Woman: Turn out the lights when you leave.
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2031 Q: Hi.
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2033 ((1:45:00))
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2035 Q: Game's over already, huh?
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2037 A: Oh, thank God. Eric struck out four times, and the kids are blaming him for
2038 losing the game. I was gonna call you, he's not feeling well.
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2040 Q: How are you doing?
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2042 A: I'm okay. He spends so much time in his room. I try to hug him to show him
2043 that I still love him, and he recoils like, uh...
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2045 Q: Did you hug him a lot before this happened?
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2047 A: I see him suffering.
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2049 Q: I know.
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2051 A: I want to do something about it, so what can I do?
2052
2053 Q: Listen, Eric needs to know that he's not different to you now. He needs to see
2054 that you're okay, that he hasn't hurt you in some way, and he really needs to
2055 be able to feel his pain openly, without worrying about you. So the more okay
2056 you are, the more he can do that, and then it'll be clear with him then from
2057 you.
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2059 ((1:46:00))
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2061 A: Hey, Eric. I got a big fan of yours here.
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2063 Q: Hi. Hey, what is this? What a way to greet a friend.
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2065 A: What's the matter?
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2067 A1: Don't make me go in there.
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2069 Man: I'm waiting on those bats, Eric.
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2071 A: Oh, hey, come here.
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2073 Man: What's with him?
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2075 Q: Here, Eric, wait, wait, wait, wait, what?
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2077 A1: He - he...
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2079 Q: No, you're safe. You're safe.
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2081 ((1:47:00))
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2083 ((1:48:00))
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2085 ((1:49:00))
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2087 Man: Look, I never...
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2089 A: Did you see the look on his face today, huh? Did you see him run, huh? Tell
2090 them what you did to Eric, tell them.
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2092 Man: Raise your hands up.
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2094 A: Oh, yeah.
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2096 Man: Okay, we'll take it from here.
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2098 A: Yeah, well, I know what's gonna happen, nothing. Hey, hey.
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2100 Man: (Unintelligible).
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2102 Man: Hold it.
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2104 A: He's gonna pay for this.
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2106 Man: (Unintelligible).
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2108 A: You're gonna pay.
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2110 Man: You told me yourself that kid has problems. Now he's dreaming.
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2112 A: Yeah, I want him to admit it, in front of his wife.
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2114 Woman: He will pay, Mr. Townsend, he will.
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2116 A: Sure, sure.
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2118 Man: Look, I can understand him being upset, but - well, thank God you guys
2119 were...
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2121 ((1:50:00))
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2123 Man: ...following him.
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2125 Woman: We weren't. He just beat us here. We had to fill out a warrant for your arrest.
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2127 Man: What? You believe that...
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2129 Man: You have the right to remain silent. If you give up your right to remain silent.
2130 Anything you say can and will be used against you in a court of law.
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2132 Man: Okay.
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2134 Man: You have the right to speak with an attorney and have an attorney present and
2135 during questioning. If you cannot afford an attorney, one will be provided for
2136 you at no charge.
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2138 Man: Is that right?
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2140 Man: Yes, that's right.
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2142 Q: Hello?
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2144 ((Crosstalk))
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2146 Woman: This is Ms. Van Buren.
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2148 Man: Sign here please, Ms. Van Buren. Thank you.
2149
2150 Q: What is this?
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2152 Woman: The Mayor, the City, the Director, the Police Chief, Sergeant (Ramirez), a
2153 psychologist and our own Ms. Joanne Van Buren...
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2155 ((1:51:00))
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2157 Woman: ...are being sued by a Midget League baseball coach? I deserve it. I told you
2158 don't get too involved in that boy's case.
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2160 Q: It was my day off.

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2162 Woman: Assistant DA (Harkins) of the Criminal Division would like to discuss with
2163 you how you spend your days off, immediately.
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2165 Q: All right.
2166
2167 Q1: False arrest, false imprisonment, negligence, dereliction of official duty,
2168 defamation of character, slander, liable, intentional infliction of emotional
2169 distress, invasion of privacy, breaking and entering. That's new.
2170
2171 Q: I take (Donovan)'s not pleading guilty?
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2173 Q1: That is a fair assumption.
2174
2175 Man: So what are you gonna do?
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2177 Q1: This lawyer (Krantz) is a specialist in these cases, and he's nasty. He presses
2178 the button on his word processor and sues us within hours, to see if we stand
2179 by our story, to test our case.
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2181 ((1:52:00))
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2183 Q1: Now ordinarily, I'd laugh, but you've arrested a respected family man, the
2184 beloved Coach (Donovan), a former pro player whose career ended one rainy
2185 night after a near fatal car crash. Now wait 'til the press and everybody
2186 upstairs gets ahold of this one. So, we'd better be damn sure.
2187
2188 Q: The boy ran from (Donovan). He said "he," meaning (Donovan).
2189
2190 Q1: The boy ran and said "he"? You're assuming he meant (Donovan)?
2191
2192 Q: These are some of Eric's drawings. This - this house, this structure right here
2193 looks exactly like the equipment shed that he ran from.
2194
2195 Q1: What else?
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2197 Q: Just Eric's actions. I told him that if he was ever afraid of being touched, to
2198 run. That's exactly what he did - he was terrified of that shed.
2199
2200 Q1: Are you telling me the boy hasn't actually said it was (Donovan)?
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2202 Q: If you could have seen his face, it was absolute terror. Now we weren't gonna
2203 let this man run loose until Eric verbalized the name - that could take a long
2204 time.
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2206 Q1: How long?
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2208 ((1:53:00))
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2210 Q1: There's no case until he says it.
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2212 Man: Well, of course we asked him to tell us everything. She was there.
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2214 Q1: And?
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2216 Q: He's not talking, yet.
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2218 Q1: He ran from a shed. A shed that a lot of men, he, strangers, probably use. Now
2219 didn't he at first say it was a stranger?
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2221 Q: (Donovan) is his coach, his hero. He made up the stranger to protect him.
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2223 Q1: Ms. Van Buren, just how am I supposed to prosecute (Donovan) if the kid
2224 won't say the name with his coach sitting this far from him in court?
2225
2226 Q: Well, can't he testify on tape or TV? I mean anything other than being right
2227 there?
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2229 Q1: Not in this state, we've tried, un-Constitutional. The defendant has the right to
2230 confront and cross-examine his accuser while sitting this far from him. I am
2231 not gonna touch this case until I hear that kid say the name.
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2233 ((1:54:00))
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2235 A: You've got to be kidding. He'd have to sit in the same room with that man
2236 and tell the whole story, no matter what harm it would do him?
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2238 Q: I know.
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2240 A: Joanne, he's 6-years-old. Out there in public, with reporters crawling all over
2241 the place?
2242
2243 Q: The press generally keeps the name of the victims, uh, secret.
2244
2245 A: Big deal. You talk about loving him, supporting him, give him space. Now
2246 you want to throw him to the lions. I've read what these lawyers do to kids.
2247
2248 Q: I'm not talking about deserting him. We'd be right there to support him.
2249
2250 A: Of course we'd support him because we want that guy in prison. But I - we

2251 have to think about what Eric wants and needs.
2252
2253 Q: You know, I might not be the right person to talk to you about this, but some
2254 doctors say that testifying can be therapeutic for abused children. That telling
2255 that story and knowing that person is gonna be punished can help purge the
2256 child's fear, and give - it might help Eric.
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2258 A: Other doctors say exactly the opposite...
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2260 ((1:55:00))
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2262 A: ...I'll bet. So how am I supposed to know what to do? It's all ideas and
2263 theories, and nobody knows anything. I might as well ask Eric.
2264
2265 Q: That's not a bad idea. He's the one that's gonna have to live with the decision.
2266
2267 A: I'm supposed to ask a six-year-old boy to make a decision that's gonna affect
2268 his entire life?
2269
2270 Q: Isn't that exactly why you should at least ask what he thinks before you
2271 decide?
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2273 A1: I told you everything already. Why can't you tell them?
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2275 A: Because it happened to you, tiger. The story has to come from you.
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2277 A1: Will he be there?
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2279 A: Yes, he will.
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2281 A1: Right there?
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2283 Q: His lawyer will probably ask you a lot of hard questions about what happened.
2284 And you're gonna have to answer, and tell the truth in front of a lot of people.
2285 But we'll be right there with you.
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2287 A1: Do I have to, dad?
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2289 ((1:56:00))
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2291 A: No, son, absolutely not.
2292
2293 A1: Then why should I? Why?
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2295 A: Because we don't want him to do that ever again to anybody else. Nobody

2296 else should have to go through what you went through, should they?
2297
2298 A1: Okay, I guess.
2299
2300 Q: It's okay, Eric. It's safe to tell Mr. (Harkins). Come on. You told me the
2301 name.
2302
2303 A1: It's different. He doesn't get put in jail.
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2305 A: He will, son. If you tell Mr. (Harkins) and the judge, he will.
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2307 Q1: Did the man who did this threaten you, Eric? You can tell us anything, we
2308 won't let him hurt you. The police will protect you.
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2310 Q: Can I talk to you for a minute outside?
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2312 ((1:57:00))
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2314 Q: Oh, boy, did you blow it when you said police. They make Eric feel like he's
2315 guilty.
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2317 Q1: Oh, brother.
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2319 Q: Look, you've got to be careful with this little guy.
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2321 Q1: You promised me he would say the name. Now we have a problem.
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2323 Q: He will say the name, when it's time.
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2325 Q1: Now, look. If we were to prosecute (Donovan), first there'd be a preliminary
2326 hearing. No jury, just a judge, and without a jury's natural sympathies for the
2327 boy to hold him back, a guy like (Krantz) could - no, will get rough, very
2328 rough, okay.
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2330 Q: I know. I already warned Eric and his father. But I - I will work with him.
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2332 Q1: What, coach him?
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2334 Q: I will - no.
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2336 Q1: Tell him what to say? I don't think...
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2338 Q: No.
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2340 Q1: ...that's gonna cut it, okay.

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2342 Q: I didn't say coach him, I said prepare him. I'll get him to relax, make him
2343 more comfortable. Just let me have one more shot at it.
2344
2345 Q1: Okay. But I'm warning you, if Eric goes silent on that stand, I'm gonna have a
2346 long talk with your boss, very long.
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2348 A1: What do I say?
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2350 Q: Eric, I can't tell you...
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2352 ((1:58:00))
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2354 Q: ...what to say, I - whatever anybody asks you though, you must always,
2355 always tell them the truth, okay?
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2357 A1: Do we have to go in?
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2359 Q: It's perfectly safe, Eric. I just thought it might help you remember.
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2361 A1: I remember.
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2363 Q2: If any one of these stories are true, the other two are lies. Uh, your Honor, I
2364 would like to refer you to (Kate vs. Fletcher), that's 86 California 3rd, 867,
2365 which the (unintelligible) pocketknife, easily concealed. In this case we're
2366 dealing with an object the size of a breadbox.
2367
2368 Q: Just talk normally and (unintelligible).
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2370 Q1: First you tell Ms. Van Buren nothing happened. Then you tell her a stranger
2371 did it. Now it's your baseball coach. Why are you lying, Eric?
2372
2373 A1: Mr. (Donovan) was my friend. I didn't want him to get in trouble.
2374
2375 Q1: No. It's because you don't know the difference between a truth and a lie, do
2376 you, Eric? Isn't that so?
2377
2378 A1: I do so. This is the truth.
2379
2380 Q: I told Eric that if he gets nervous, just to look over to us and his father. His
2381 father can sit right behind us, yes?
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2383 Q1: Mm-hm.
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2385 Q: Like, um, that we'd be kind of like teammates.

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2387 Q1: Teammates?
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2389 Q: Yeah. Is there any reason that Eric actually has to be sitting in the courtroom
2390 before he testifies?
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2392 Q1: No, why?
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2394 Q: Well, I just think he might get nervous. I mean I would, so, uh, maybe -
2395 maybe he could stay home 'til it's time for him to testify, or we could find a
2396 spare room, and I could bring in a television or some games, or something like
2397 that.
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2399 Q1: Uh, just where do you get these ideas of yours from? I have somewhat of a
2400 problem with them.
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2402 Q: Why?
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2404 Q1: They're good.
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2406 ((2:00:00))
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2408 Judge: All rise. Be seated. The People vs. (John Patrick Donovan). Uh, this is a
2409 preliminary hearing to determine if there's sufficient cause to believe that the
2410 defendant, (John Patrick Donovan), is guilty of certain criminal charges and
2411 should be bound over for trial.
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2413 Man: At first we didn't know what, if anything, was wrong with Eric. The doctor's
2414 report was inconclusive, but, uh, he was shy, he was frightened, and his
2415 drawings indicated he was repressing something, something painful and
2416 traumatic.
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2418 Q1: Nothing further, your Honor.
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2420 Q2: Doctor, Mr. Townsend failed to cooperate with you and the Department, isn't
2421 that right?
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2423 Man: Yes.
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2425 Q2: And how did Eric act...
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2427 ((2:01:00))
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2429 Q2: ...when his father touched him?
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2431 Man: He withdrew. He was uncomfortable.
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2433 Q2: Would a possible explanation be that Eric was withdrawing from someone
2434 who had abused him?
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2436 Man: It's possible, but it...
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2438 Q2: But it is possible?
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2440 Man: Yes.
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2442 Q2: Thank you, Doctor.
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2444 Q1: Redirect, your Honor. Is there another possible explanation, Doctor?
2445
2446 Man: Yes, thank you. Eric may have withdrawn from his father because he was
2447 abused by some other man. Often in cases like this the child's fear of being
2448 touched by the abuser extends to other members of the same sex, so he might
2449 have just been afraid of being punished.
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2451 Q1: Thank you, Doctor.
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2453 Q: And then Eric ran. He said "He" twice, and got hysterical.
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2455 Q1: Why do you consider these actions significant?
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2457 Q: Well, I have told Eric what all parents tell their children, uh...
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2459 ((2:02:00))
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2461 Q: ...to say "No," to run away and tell someone, and so when Eric ran, that told
2462 me that...
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2464 Q2: Objection, your Honor. The boy ran, the boy said "He." Therefore, the boy
2465 should tell us what his actions meant, not Ms. Van Buren.
2466
2467 Judge: Well, sustained. Strike that last line.
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2469 Q1: Your witness.
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2471 Q2: Ms. Van Buren, you must know Eric very well by now, don't you?
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2473 Q: Yes.
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2475 Q2: That's nothing to be ashamed about, is it? He's a nice boy, but imaginative?

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2477 Q: If you're gonna ask me could Eric have imagined all of this, the answer is no.
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2479 Q2: Really? Why not?
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2481 ((2:03:00))
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2483 Q: Because children don't say they have been molested unless it's true. Eric
2484 knows a lot of details.
2485
2486 Q2: But children do make up stories about who the real molester is, don't they,
2487 Ms. Van Buren, to protect a close family member, like a father?
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2489 Q: I've heard that.
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2491 Q2: In fact, Eric did that once before with a stranger, with a zipper, and a blue
2492 truck? And he made it up, knowing that you suspected his father?
2493
2494 Q: It doesn't mean he made it up this time.
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2496 Q2: Well, that's your opinion. And it's also your opinion that running is evidence
2497 of sexual abuse?
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2499 Q: It can be.
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2501 Q2: Really? Because I'm a jogger.
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2503 Q: When it is combined with mortal fear, yes, it is my opinion.
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2505 Q2: Eric didn't actually name...
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2507 ((2:04:00))
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2509 Q2: ...Mr. (Donovan) until a week ago?
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2511 Q: That's true. He was scared.
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2513 Q2: Nevertheless, Eric only named Mr. (Donovan) after you promised Mr.
2514 (Harkins) that he would, isn't that true?
2515
2516 Q: Look, I'm not gonna let you turn this thing around and...
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2518 Q2: Your Honor, I asked the witness a very simple question that can be answered
2519 with a yes or a no.
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2521 Judge: Answer the question, Ms. Van Buren.
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2523 Q: Yes.
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2525 Q2: Well, Ms. Van Buren, will you tell us how you coached, uh, coaxed Eric into
2526 naming Mr. (Donovan)?
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2528 Q: I did not coach him. It is against Department rules. I asked him why he ran.
2529 He trusted me and he told me.
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2531 Q2: And you're certainly very careful about going by your Department rules, are
2532 you?
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2534 Q: Well, I try.
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2536 ((2:05:00))
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2538 Q2: Ms. Van Buren, I have your personnel file here. You were severely
2539 reprimanded for inciting a client to strike you so that you could press charges
2540 against him, on the very day that you first met Eric. Now is that what you call
2541 going by the rules, Ms. Van Buren?
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2543 Q: No, it was terribly unprofessional. I have no excuse. But Eric told me, I did
2544 not tell him.
2545
2546 Q2: Well, we'll just have to ask Eric about that, won't we? No further questions.
2547 Thank you, your Honor.
2548
2549 Judge: Well, it's late, uh, so rather than bring the child all the way from home, uh,
2550 let's recess until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.
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2552 A: Can (Krantz) do that to Eric?
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2554 Q1: He might. I don't know.
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2556 ((2:06:00))
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2558 A: Well, I've changed my mind. I - I can't have him go through that.
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2560 Q1: You do realize that's the end of the case? All right. I'll ask that the charges be
2561 dropped in the morning.
2562
2563 A: Joanne, I know that you've put your heart and soul into this case for Eric and
2564 I, but I can't have him go through that.
2565

2566 Q: Oh, you certainly don't owe me an explanation. Uh, it's up to you whether
2567 Eric testifies or not. I'm - I'm just doing my job.
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2569 A: Well, I promised Eric I'd be home.
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2571 ((2:07:00))
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2573 A: If you're not doing anything tonight, you could join us for dinner, and say
2574 goodbye to him.
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2576 Q: I am busy tonight, thanks.
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2578 A: Sure. Well, bye.
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2580 Q: Bye.
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2582 ((2:08:00))
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2584 ((2:09:00))
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2586 ((2:10:00))
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2588 ((2:11:00))
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2590 ((2:12:00))
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2592 Q: You know, there's just some people you can't get rid of.
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2594 A: Well, come in. Eric's asleep already.
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2596 Q: It's okay, I came to talk to you.
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2598 A: Well, I'm having a cup of coffee. Come on.
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2600 Q: Why did you change your mind?
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2602 A: You have to ask? After what (Krantz) did to you?
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2604 Q: He did that to scare you. I can't believe he's gonna get away with that with a
2605 6-year-old boy.
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2607 A: I don't care, it worked, I'm scared. Joanne, he's suffering.
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2609 Q: Yes, he is. You can't expect him to get better by hoping he's gonna forget
2610 about it. Sexual abuse is so traumatic, it doesn't just fade into a dim memory.

2611 That's why there's...
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2613 ((2:13:00))
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2615 Q: ...been no healing.
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2617 A: You're guessing. You don't know that. You don't know what it's like to see
2618 your child suffering, and to put him on a stand and watch helplessly while a
2619 lawyer picks him apart. You can't know that.
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2621 Q: No, I can't. But the pain that is locked up inside of Eric, that's causing the
2622 nightmares and the moodiness, has to come out where you can see it and help
2623 him deal with it.
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2625 A: I think I'm doing that.
2626
2627 Q: I think you're trying to avoid it, his pain and your pain. What happened,
2628 happened, and pretending that it - that it didn't happen is only gonna make it
2629 worse, so you'd better deal with it now, before it's too late - before - the - the -
2630 the child ends up feeling abandoned and bitter. I - I know a little bit about this.
2631 I mean I've just seen it happen.
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2633 A: What's this got to do with Eric?
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2635 ((2:14:00))
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2637 Q: My mother died when I was seven. My father and I have barely spoken about
2638 it. We talk baseball.
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2640 A: I see.
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2642 Q: I have the feeling my boss would, uh, say I'm a little too involved again.
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2644 A: I'm not complaining. Is it, uh, too late to change my mind?
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2646 Q: No.
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2648 A: Good.
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2650 ((2:15:00))
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2652 ((2:16:00))
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2654 Judge: Okay, Eric, we're ready for you now. Comfortable? Mr. (Harkins), are the
2655 People prepared to demonstrate that this child is competent to testify?

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2657 Q1: Yes, your Honor.
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2659 Judge: Proceed.
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2661 Q1: Eric, what is your full name?
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2663 A1: (Eric Arlor Townsend), 6-years-old.
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2665 Q1: Eric, just answer only the question that you're asked, hm? Thank you. Now,
2666 Eric, do you know the difference between a truth and a lie?
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2668 A1: Yes.
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2670 ((2:17:00))
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2672 Q1: Have you ever told a lie?
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2674 A1: Yes.
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2676 Q1: What happens when you tell a lie?
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2678 A1: I get punished, spanked sometimes.
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2680 Q1: And do you promise to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the
2681 truth, so help you, God, when I, the Judge, or Mr. (Krantz) over there, ask you
2682 questions?
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2684 A1: Yes.
2685
2686 Q1: Your Honor, the People offer this witness as competent to testify.
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2688 Q2: The witness has had someone coaching him besides Mr. (Donovan), your
2689 Honor. We have no objection.
2690
2691 Judge: Arguments will be heard later, Mr. (Krantz). Bailiff, swear in the witness.
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2693 A1: One time when we played at practice.
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2695 Q1: And when baseball practice ended, Eric, what did you do?
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2697 A1: I helped Mr. (Donovan) put away the equipment.
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2699 Q1: Why, Eric?
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2701 A1: 'Cause I wanted to.
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2703 ((2:18:00))
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2705 A1: He talked about being a real live baseball player.
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2707 Q1: In the Major League?
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2709 A1: Yeah. He had a car, uh...
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2711 Q1: Accident?
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2713 A1: Yeah, got hurt real bad and had to quit.
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2715 Q1: Eric, on Wednesday, did something different happen? Eric, are you okay?
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2717 A1: Yeah.
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2719 Q1: Tell us about the day something different happened.
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2721 A1: I went to help paint.
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2723 Q1: Paint what?
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2725 A1: Shed, where we keep the bathroom stuff.
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2727 ((2:19:00))
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2729 Q1: Eric, are you all right? Do you want to rest?
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2731 A1: No.
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2733 Q1: I have one last question. Is this man the man who did these things you
2734 described in this courtroom?
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2736 A1: Yeah.
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2738 Q1: Would you point to him please?
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2740 ((2:20:00))
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2742 A1: There.
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2744 Q1: Can you name him, Eric?
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2746 A1: Mr. (Donovan).
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2748 Q1: Your witness.
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2750 Q2: Well, now, Eric, we're going to have a nice friendly little chat together, aren't
2751 we?
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2753 ((2:21:00))
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2755 ((2:22:00))
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2757 ((2:23:00))
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2759 Q2: Eric, I don't know what you've been told about me, but I'm a nice person, and
2760 I have a nice little son of my own. And he likes to watch television. Now I'll
2761 bet you like to watch television too, don't you Eric? Well, what's your most
2762 favorite show on television, Eric? Maybe you have two most favorite shows,
2763 huh?
2764
2765 A1: Yeah. Sesame Street and, uh, Star Trek.
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2767 Q2: Oh, I like those shows too. Now let me ask you something, Eric. Do you
2768 believe in Big Bird? Do you believe that Big Bird is real?
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2770 A1: Big Bird?
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2772 Q2: Big Bird isn't real, is he? No.
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2774 ((2:24:00))
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2776 Q2: Now, Eric, what about - what about Mr. Spock? Do you believe in Santa
2777 Claus, son? Do you believe that Santa Claus is real? Here, just look at me,
2778 right here, son.
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2780 Q: Your Honor, Mr. (Krantz) is repeatedly and deliberately blocking my view of
2781 Eric.
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2783 Judge: Ms. Van Buren, you're out of order. If you wish to be present for the
2784 remainder of this hearing, you will not interrupt. However, counsel may...
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2786 Q1: Yes, your Honor, I object, on the same grounds Ms. Van Buren did.
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2788 Q2: Your Honor, before and now during this hearing, Ms. Van Buren has coached
2789 the witness on what to say. It's time we got some un-coached and truthful
2790 answers.

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2792 Judge: I see no coaching, Mr. (Krantz). You don't have to block her view to represent
2793 your client. Sustained.
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2795 Q2: Of course not, your Honor. Now, Eric, we were talking about...
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2797 ((2:25:00))
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2799 Q2: ...Santa Claus. Do you believe that Santa Claus is real? Eric, I want to talk to
2800 you about the day that you ran away from the equipment shed. Do you
2801 remember that day pretty well?
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2803 A1: Yeah.
2804
2805 Q2: You had a baseball game that day, didn't you? And your team lost?
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2807 A1: Yeah.
2808
2809 Q2: Did you really strike out four times in that game? Do you remember how
2810 many errors you made in that game? A lot, wasn't it? Your teammates weren't
2811 very happy about that, were they?
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2813 Q1: I thought you said he was prepared. (Krantz) hasn't even raised his voice yet.
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2815 ((2:26:00))
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2817 Q: Well, he's confusing him, he's embarrassing him.
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2819 Q1: That's exactly what (Donovan)'s paying him all that money to do. Now do
2820 something.
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2822 Q: Eric, hey. It's okay. He's just trying to scare you, you know. All you have to
2823 do is relax and answer the questions that he asks you.
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2825 A1: I never know what to say.
2826
2827 A: You just tell the truth, tiger, just like you told us. You're very, very close.
2828
2829 Q: Yeah, and you've already finished the hardest part. I mean you said the name,
2830 right?
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2832 A1: Yeah.
2833
2834 Q: And with your father there and - and the judge and Mr. (Harkins) and me, you
2835 don't have to be afraid. You're the king of karate, right?

2836
2837 A1: Kung Fu.
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2839 Q: Kung Fu.
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2841 Q2: In fact, Eric...
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2843 ((2:27:00))
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2845 Q2: ...at your game that day, you played so poorly that your coach, Coach
2846 (Donovan), had to take you out of the game and put you on the bench, didn't
2847 he?
2848
2849 A1: Yeah.
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2851 Q2: And you were mad at him for putting you on the bench, weren't you? Very
2852 mad?
2853
2854 A1: Yeah.
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2856 Q2: Mad enough that you might run from him so that Ms. Van Buren would see it,
2857 and he would get into trouble, big trouble. Eric, I want you to do one thing for
2858 me. I want you to look at Coach (Donovan), in the eye, directly in the eye, not
2859 at Ms. Van Buren, and say to him and his family here that he sexually
2860 molested you. Can you do that, Eric?
2861
2862 Judge: Mr. (Krantz).
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2864 Q2: Your Honor, as the child has admitted fantasizing and holding a grudge
2865 against Mr. (Donovan), I suggest that all the...
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2867 ((2:28:00))
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2869 Q2: ...charges against Mr. (Donovan) be dropped right now.
2870
2871 A1: It's the truth, it is.
2872
2873 Judge: Eric, is there anything else that you can tell us that will help us believe your
2874 story?
2875
2876 A1: He has a zipper.
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2878 Q: (Donovan)'s car accident.
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2880 Q1: A zipper?

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2882 Q: Baseball players call their scars zippers.
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2884 Q1: Oh. Eric, do you mean a zipper like an evil pirate or, uh, Frankenstein has on
2885 his face? Do you mean a scar, son?
2886
2887 A1: Yeah, from here to here.
2888
2889 Q1: Thank you, Eric.
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2891 Q2: Uh, your Honor, will, uh...
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2893 ((2:29:00))
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2895 Q2: ...must permit me to, uh, cross-examine further, uh, with this additional
2896 testimony?
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2898 Judge: You may proceed, Mr. (Krantz).
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2900 Q2: Eric, why didn't you tell anyone about the zipper before?
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2902 A1: I did, when it was on the stranger.
2903
2904 Q2: But Eric, this - this is your friend, your coach. Do you want to send him, this
2905 man, your friend, your coach, to jail, away from his two sons that are your
2906 age?
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2908 Q1: I object, your Honor.
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2910 Q2: Do you want to see them grow up without a father?
2911
2912 Judge: Sustained.
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2914 Q2: You are in a court of law, young man. You took a solemn oath to tell the truth,
2915 so help you, God.
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2917 Q1: Objection, your Honor.
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2919 Judge: The witness has already taken the oath, Mr. (Krantz).
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2921 Q2: Yes, your Honor. Now, Eric, you admitted that you lied before, didn't you?
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2923 A1: Yeah.
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2925 Q2: And you lied when you said you knew the difference between a truth and a lie,

2926 didn't you? Because you just keep lying.
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2928 ((2:30:00))
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2930 A1: He's gonna kill me.
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2932 Q2: You just keep making it up, don't you? Because you don't know the
2933 difference between fantasy and fact, lie and truth.
2934
2935 A1: He killed (Ralph), he killed (Ralph).
2936
2937 Q2: Who - who's (Ralph), Eric?
2938
2939 A1: Me and (Ralph) went to paint the shed with the coach. I said don't, but he said
2940 if I didn't, he'd kill me and my father while we were asleep, and he killed
2941 (Ralph) to show he'd do it. I told everyone that (Ralph) ran away, but we
2942 really put him in a hole.
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2944 Woman: Excuse me.
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2946 Man: Excuse me. Excuse me.
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2948 ((2:31:00))
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2950 Q1: The plea bargain is coming down to this. (Donovan) will plead guilty now if
2951 we'll stipulate to a one-year sentence in the Rehabilitation Program for Sex
2952 Offenders.
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2954 A: Is that a prison?
2955
2956 Q1: Prison hospital. I know it's light. They're willing to be you won't want to go
2957 through this again at the real trial.
2958
2959 A: They're right. No more.
2960
2961 Man: Reporters and TV cameras are down this way.
2962
2963 Woman: There's Eric.
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2965 Man: There's Eric, there's the kid.
2966
2967 Q: Well, there probably won't be if you go down that way there. Eric, I want you
2968 to know something. I think you're the bravest kid I have ever seen, and I am
2969 so proud of you. Promised you more than a wrist slap.
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A: He's all that matters now. We're gonna be spending a lot of time together from now on, son, if you'd like that. Joanne, I'd like it if sometime we could all go together for an ice cream or something.

Q: I'd like that, anytime.

Man: You okay?

Q: Yeah - I don't know. That kid went through so much, and then on top of everything else, we make him sit in that courtroom and tell the whole world.

Man: Ah, things like that are better out in the open, don't you think?

Q: I do. What are you doing here, anyway?

Man: I got tired of reading about you in the papers.

Q: Oh, being called fanatical witch hunter...

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Q: ...no doubt. Well, dad, if you hadn't taught me about baseball, we'd have lost that case.

Man: I'm - I'm glad something good finally came out of it.

Q: I've been so bitter about us. I'm sorry.

Man: How about a celebration, a night on the town?

Q: You got it. No hot dogs.

Man: Oh, no.

Q: Come on, I'm not gonna tell the guys you rode in a foreign car.

Man: Coach. Coach (Donovan), Coach (Donovan).

((Crosstalk))

Man: Move over this way.

Man: Hey. Come on, you did good.

3016
3017 Q: Get in the car.
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3019 ((2:34:00))
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3022 The transcript has been reviewed with the audio recording submitted and it is an accurate
3023 transcription.
3024 Signed_____

INTERVIEW WITH LINDA GORMAN
Q=Man
Q1=Woman
A=Linda Gorman
A1=(Pam)
A2=(Tom)

Q: You ever met - what, uh, what's the address?

A: I saw the man coming through the (unintelligible) for awhile.

Q: There's an easier way. I'm - I'm gonna go through this one more time. Okay. Now.

A: Is there a way we can get an Ohio map?

Q: Uh, not right now.

A: Why?

Q: 'Cause they don't have an Ohio map here. I'd have to go to the grocery store - I don't know if they'd even have one in there. Okay, just listen to me now. Hear - okay. Explain to me the night that you saw - the night of the kidnapping.

A: Okay, okay. The 22nd of October, Sunday. I was supposed to have surgery the next day, um, Monday morning, on my bladder, which I did. And I couldn't, you know, of course I was nervous 'cause it was surgery - I'm always nervous before I have surgery, like a lot of people are, right. You know, I have...

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A: ...something since then, my - my bladder problem. I knew it what was up even though - well, I - I just read into things before things happen. I have been told that I must have ESP before.

Q: Okay. But let's get to the...

A: Okay.

Q: ...what happened.

A: But anyhow...

Q: You got binoculars?

A: I had binoculars and something says, "Look out the window." I look out in the second floor apartment, there was an old (unintelligible) that was apartments. There was one downstairs, that's where that guy lived, I lived upstairs. And something told me "Look out the window, (Brenda), now." I looked out the window with these binoculars, a dude, this guy and (unintelligible) hollering, says to somebody else in the back, "Keep an eye on him. Watch him while I take care of (unintelligible)." God.

Q: And what did you see on the (van)?

A: This kid was like left on the front seat with duct tape, silver duct tape around his hands, and a piece over his mouth.

Q: Okay.

A: And he threw some garbage in the dumpster and got back in the van, and then he went the other way, across the street.

Q: And what was your address at that location?

A: I don't know it by heart, but it's inside - it like...

Q: Okay.

A: ...used to be across from (Jimmy's Bait Shop) going this way.

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A: It was like...

Q: Right across the street from where (Jimmy's Bait Shop)?

A: It's a four-way - four-way street, and I lived on 9th Avenue South, and I lived on the corner across from (Jimmy's Bait Shop). (Jimmy's Bait Shop) was here, and I lived over here.

Q: Okay.

91
92 A: Okay. And this was in back of my apart-apartment house, in another
93 apartment building in a alleyway, that I seen this van, (unintelligible).
94
95 Q: Okay.
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97 A: Then it went across the street to (Jimmy's Bait Shop), and that I could see out
98 my living room window.
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100 Q: Okay. And that's - you said you heard the man say something?
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102 A: About - he says, "Watch him. Keep an eye on him (unintelligible) while I get
103 some pop." He got out of the - the van and got some pop, like he was getting
104 some pop out of the pop machine outside of (Jimmy's Bait Shop).
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106 Q: And then he drove off? Okay.
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108 A: Yeah.
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110 Q: And when is the next time you saw this van?
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112 A: Then a couple weeks later, when I couldn't sleep because my neighbor - this I
113 seen like - okay, this was the last of October, right around Halloween night.
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115 Q: The photographs?
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117 A: The photos, yes.
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119 Q: So you found the photographs?
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121 A: Yeah, he threw down three of them.
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123 ((0:03:00)).
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125 Q: Around late October?
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127 A: Yeah, October 31st to be exact.
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129 Q: Okay.
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131 A: Since it was (unintelligible), I used it when I was a teenager. I haven't done
132 that since I was 16 (unintelligible).
133
134 Q: Okay. Um...
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A: Confession now, huh?

Q: No. Okay.

A: But anyhow, I'm...

Q: So you found the photographs before you saw this guy again?

A: Yeah, and I saw him all around St. Cloud, but I couldn't find him until after the 1st of November. That's when I found out about the house.

Q: Okay. So you saw him throw these photographs out?

A: The kidnapper, it's an older guy on the - you have that poster, the first poster...

Q: It's (John Dewire)?

A: (John Dewire).

Q: And you saw him throw these photographs out?

A: Right. That's where (unintelligible) used to be, right across the street from there, there used to be a drug store on the corner. Now there's a, uh, what do they call the cleaner there now? The parking lot, a dirt parking lot (unintelligible). There used to be a drug store called (Marsh) Pharmacy, and right - here's (Marsh) Pharmacy, and here's an alleyway. And there was a book store here, and a couple stores here. Now there's a bank back here...

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A: ...but there's no buildings here anymore, there's a parking lot here. But he threw it down right in this alleyway here. And I picked them up. And he threw them down like this.

Q: Okay. What...

A: And I didn't know what they were at first, and I went (unintelligible) and checked them out. And this guy didn't even turn around and see when I did that.

Q: Okay. And then you followed this guy?

A: That's right. And when I told (Elizabeth) and told her that this - you need to tell them that...

Q: Okay. Where did you follow him to?

A: I just followed him for about three blocks and I lost him.

Q: Okay.

A: I think he was onto me.

Q: But it was this (John Dewire)?

A: Yeah, it was.

Q: He knew (unintelligible)?

A: Now, I'll tell you what I was told about him, but I don't know if this is true.

Q: Yeah.

A: 'Cause this is what somebody told me about him. See, (unintelligible) at one time worked for Stearns County, and, um, he was a (unintelligible). But through who I heard, I'm not know - I'm not sure of the people, 'cause somebody just told me that, but it's not (unintelligible) anymore, okay.

Q: Yeah.

A: That he was (unintelligible) in the - in the Stearns...

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A: ...County Jail, (unintelligible), that he (unintelligible). That's when he started making (unintelligible). He's dead now.

Q: Okay.

A: He died after that picture that was taken in the (unintelligible). I told you that (unintelligible) that newspaper. Remember that newspaper (unintelligible) that I showed you, that I have a copy of? About him making pictures with (John Dewire) making bullets?

Q: No, you didn't show me that, but you...

A: I did.

Q: No, no, what you did was you gave me the, uh, um...

A: Yeah, but I showed you...

Q: ...the (unintelligible).

A: ...I showed you an old paper before that, an old newspaper before that.

Q: No, 'cause it - you were gonna show me...

A: It turns out dark like this, and I also showed you another from a friend of mine named (Elizabeth).

Q: No, the only thing you showed me was the video.

A: I also showed you that note that same day from a friend of mine called (Elizabeth Betty Baraka). Now she claimed that she worked at, uh, the Junior High where Jacob used to go to school, and she came to school...

Q: No, you were gonna get that for me, but you never did.

A: Oh, I have it now - I got it, I know where it is.

Q: And the same...

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Q: ...with the other photographs, where - on this (John Dewire), you were gonna get that, but you never did.

A: Oh, that - that's not...

Q: (Unintelligible) got one.

A: ...it's not a full blown one though.

Q: Yeah, but I mean...

A: It's - it's just...

Q: ...I'm stating the only thing that you gave me was that (unintelligible) video.

A: Okay. The deal I was gonna tell you about is a newspaper, but I only got the bottom part of the story, where the - it shows a couple of (unintelligible) and made homemade (unintelligible).

Q: But no photograph?

271
272 A: But I didn't get a picture of him.
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274 Q: Oh, okay.
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276 A: The picture of that guy - they would have that at the Times though.
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278 Q: But - but that's fine, we would be able to locate that.
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280 A: They would have that at the Times though...
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282 Q: Okay.
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284 A: ...at St. Cloud, that's where I got that picture from.
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286 Q: Okay. Um, yeah, and - and if you do have that...
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288 A: I'll look for that, but...
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290 Q: Yeah.
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292 A: ...it doesn't have a date on it, 'cause I got the bottom of the...
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294 Q: That's fine.
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296 A: ...picture instead of the top.
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298 Q: That's fine. Um...
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300 A: But he worked at Stearns County jail and he - he supposedly resigned or - or
301 they dismissed him because he was caught fondling inmates.
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303 Q: Okay.
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305 A: That was ages ago, and I couldn't tell you - wait, can I tell you...
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307 Q: Sure.
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309 A: ...something else? I know something more about this ordeal that's gonna
310 shake...
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312 ((0:07:00)).
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314 A: ...you and really make you accept that I'm a (unintelligible). You know
315 (unintelligible)? Up by that one county?

Q: Yeah. (Unintelligible).

A: (Unintelligible).

Q: Oh, yeah.

A: I'm gonna tell you something, they were together for awhile. I know they hung together 'cause I (unintelligible) that guy, (unintelligible). And if I tell you why, you're gonna get sick.

Q: Why?

A: 'Cause I saw (John Dewire) outside of a bar one time.

Q: And?

A: It's not the same bar that he was - that I looked down those steps - the last time I went (unintelligible), I've never gone back. But see, when I used to get (unintelligible), I'd usually get on the (unintelligible). I always used to listen and think like everybody, (unintelligible), right. Well, then at nighttime I'd find a lot of (unintelligible) $100 bills, right. I'm not gonna pay no - pay $225 rent if I don't get a...

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A: ...$20 and some $5's. So, the only thing open downtown - and I didn't want to go over to the south side, 'cause I (unintelligible) vision. And I lived on the north side at the time, which (unintelligible) far as downtown. Well, I didn't want to go in this one bar because the band was real loud, and, you know, people were real rowdy in that bar, so I went down to this bar that's on the main mall - well, now it's not the mall anymore, but they made these roads in there. But it's, uh, something with steps (unintelligible). You go down steps to get into this bar. I went down there and I got change. And when I came out, and this was in '84, I came out of there, and behind the (Doug's Dugout), okay, here - here's the mall right here, right.

Q: Mm-hm.

A: And (Doug's Dugout) is on the corner and go down (unintelligible) come up, and I was gonna go over to a boyfriend that lived down...

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A: ...the street, and still does live down there, to see if (unintelligible) went home

361 that night. And I - I looked here, I stood here and looked if that - you know,
362 you could kind of see there was no lights on (unintelligible). And there's an
363 alleyway behind that (Doug's Dugout). And there's oh, this, um, I think it's
364 called (unintelligible) out of the drive- out of the alleyway. And the guy
365 (unintelligible). And then (unintelligible).
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367 Q: You got in the car?
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369 A: He wanted to know directions. My mistake was (unintelligible).
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371 Q: I don't see where this belongs - where's (Dewire)?
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373 A: Oh.
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375 Q: Okay.
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377 A: And he took me out - it's by the Clearwater - Clear Lake. I know where it's at,
378 there's a (unintelligible) camp over there...
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380 ((0:10:00)).
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382 A: ...where he finally dropped me off. But I was so frightened. I had never been -
383 you think that a kid is frightened when you take a kid away from home. I
384 didn't take that kid that day - he followed me. 'Cause she begged me to make
385 (unintelligible), but this guy took me - he uncovered a gun from underneath
386 his shirt and said, "Get in, now." The way he said get in and uncovered the
387 gun, I was shaking 'cause he (unintelligible).
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389 Q: Okay.
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391 A: I have all this money - I thought God...
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393 Q: How did...
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395 A: ...I'm gonna get robbed and killed - okay, I'll tell you why later on. A year
396 later, (unintelligible), I see (Bloom) talking to this other guy.
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398 Q: This (Dewire)?
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400 A: (Dewire). That's right, (unintelligible).
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402 Q: Okay.
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404 A: He says, "We're gonna do something bigger." That's what he said
405 (unintelligible), and so I knew (Bloom) was gonna come up with

406 (unintelligible),
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408 Q: And you...
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410 A: But...
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412 Q: ...reported that to the police?
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414 A: Never. Never. I got picked up by an older couple. They seemed really
415 friendly...
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417 ((0:11:00)).
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419 A: ...finally - finally dropped me off, 'cause I finally decided, and I thought to
420 myself, (unintelligible) alley, but he didn't either, but he did - and once he
421 started - after (unintelligible), you know, robbing her, letting her go, didn't
422 even rob her. And I thought, God, I know there's money in my purse,
423 (unintelligible) robbing (unintelligible) like this, (unintelligible), right.
424 (Unintelligible).
425
426 Q: Okay. And...
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428 A: And I seen him and (Dewire) talking one time in '85, late '85.
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430 Q: Okay. Now...
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432 A: I - I - I - I can't say that (Bloom) was included in this kidnapping thing, but I
433 have 100% feeling that he was.
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435 Q: Okay. Um, so you saw the man drop photos, you followed him. He was
436 driving a...
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438 A: Because that's why - when I don't...
439
440 Q: ...vehicle?
441
442 A: Yeah.
443
444 Q: And you were on foot?
445
446 A: Well - well, when he dropped that, I just followed him for about three hours. I
447 followed him all over St. Cloud. He finally - I finally lost him or he lost me. I
448 think he lost me on purpose.
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450 Q: But he was driving a car?

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A: A van.

Q: A van?

A: Brown tan van.

Q: And what were you driving?

A: Walking. I'm always - I always walk. I walked better then than I do now.

Q: Okay.

A: Be he acknow- I finally lost him 'cause at one point he says, "Quit following me," I turned around, "Me?" You know, I acted like (unintelligible). To me, you know - you know, it's like then a couple weeks later, about two weeks after that, I (unintelligible) that house.

Q: Okay. And - and...

A: That's when I seen that brown and tan van, beside that house.

Q: So you saw that brown and tan van?

A: Yeah, it's a camo top and then brown in the middle, and then tan on the bottom.

Q: Yeah. And, um...

A: And (unintelligible).

Q: And you've been going through this almost from November...

A: From November on. Mid-November - well, I think it was the 10th of - the 5th or the 8th or 10th of November, between the 5th and the 10th of November, somewhere in there.

Q: About once a month?

A: Once a week.

Q: Oh, once a week?

496 A: Remember what I told you awhile back? We'd see these little places
497 (unintelligible). I got those same (unintelligible) pattern.
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499 ((0:13:00)).
500
501 A: I'm talking (unintelligible), that's what kind of time (unintelligible). They
502 were colored (unintelligible), which - green and yellow. We'd see these little
503 (unintelligible) in the cover. There were three or four of them. Three or four -
504 I think four from what I remember, and a couple of pieces of (unintelligible),
505 whatever. And - and a little tiny jar of Skippy peanut butter with the sealed
506 colored lid. We'd go in there one time, that lid would not be broke on that
507 peanut butter, and those dishes would be cleaned, and a couple plastic glasses.
508 A week later we'd go back and the sink would be dirty (unintelligible). You
509 know how they knew he dyed his hair?
510
511 Q: Who?
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513 A: Jacob Wetterling.
514
515 Q: Oh. You told them?
516
517 A: I told the cops. They don't listen to a lot of things I said, but they wanted me
518 to stay out of it. They don't want me to (unintelligible) the Wetterlings and
519 say anything to the Wetterlings.
520
521 Q: But you never talked to the FBI?
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523 A: No.
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525 ((0:14:00)).
526
527 Q: You only talked to...
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529 A: But I took a piece of paper down to a cop and the police and told them, the
530 piece of paper I found in (Dewire)'s coat that, you know, kind of...
531
532 Q: Who did you - who did you talk to at St. Cloud?
533
534 A: Wait a minute, wait a minute. When I thought - nobody. I tried to call the
535 police and they said, "Stay out of it, Linda." 'Cause...
536
537 Q: Then how did they know that you dyed his hair?
538
539 A: Because we went in there one night, okay. And I'm just - there was just like a
540 - like a t-shirt, a purple t-shirt (unintelligible) black hair dye all over it. It's

541 'cause he found a - this shirt that was laying on the cupboard and there was
542 black hair dye...
543
544 Q: And who did you tell about that?
545
546 A: I told the St. Cloud Police about it.
547
548 Q: Do you remember who?
549
550 A: But they acted like they didn't want to - I don't remember the cop's name.
551
552 Q: Okay.
553
554 A: Some of those guys have quit, some of them are still on the force, but then all
555 they said, "Just stay out of it, Linda." You know what I think they're afraid
556 of? They're afraid that I might say something to Wetterlings.
557
558 Q: Okay.
559
560 A: And this deputy sheriff, he don't want me to say anything.
561
562 Q: How do you know about this Wetterling?
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564 ((0:15:00)).
565
566 A: How do I know stuff about him?
567
568 Q: No, no, no. How do you know that the Wetterlings are involved?
569
570 A: Because...
571
572 Q: You keep saying that.
573
574 A: ...'cause the deputy sheriff told me that - and if I tell you his name, he'll - he'll
575 say he never said it. He swears up and down he never said it. But he's a jailer.
576
577 Q: And what did he say?
578
579 A: 'Cause he (unintelligible), but now he's a jailer. He said that they know who's
580 behind it and they won't say, because the minute they say that there's a
581 (unintelligible) behind it, they'll have him killed. That's what they're afraid
582 of. That's what they don't want me to say either. That's why they wanted me
583 to stay the hell out of it.
584
585 Q: Okay.

586
587 A: That's why they told me when I was finding out things about this house, and
588 when I saw the (unintelligible) just "Keep out of it, Linda."
589
590 Q: Okay. And so then when you found this guy, you saw him in, uh, a motel in
591 Janesville, Wisconsin...
592
593 A: I followed him to other states, Illinois, Ohio. I went to Kentucky.
594
595 Q: (Unintelligible) Kentucky too?
596
597 A: Oh, (unintelligible).
598
599 Q: Where's the last place you saw him?
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601 A: I seen him in '99 a lot of times.
602
603 Q: And where did you see him?
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605 A: July - mid-July or late July...
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607 ((0:16:00)).
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609 A: ...of '99. July 22nd, '99, was the last time I (unintelligible) out of state.
610
611 Q: Well, when did you - where did you see him then in...
612
613 A: I don't know the name of the town unless I look at it on a map.
614
615 Q: What state?
616
617 A: Ohio.
618
619 Q: Okay.
620
621 A: He's still in Ohio. He's been in Ohio since late '89 on - '89 or '90 on - '90,
622 since '90. I have to look (unintelligible) map (unintelligible). And at one
623 point, I looked in this hospital, there was like a hospital, this was
624 (unintelligible) I was following this man, and the people (unintelligible)
625 thought I (unintelligible). You know, (unintelligible).
626
627 Q: Oh, yeah, yeah.
628
629 A: I have a (unintelligible). They didn't know that. A lot of cops don't know that.
630 Yeah, (unintelligible) right behind the van, they didn't know he was in that

631 van.
632
633 Q: And then you had...
634
635 A: And I hollered, "There goes Jacob Wetterling," and they thought I was crazy
636 'cause I (unintelligible) a psych ward of this one hospital.
637
638 ((0:17:00)).
639
640 A: I don't remember where it was. This one town in Wisconsin. I don't
641 remember where it was though. I'd tell you if I heard the town again. And I
642 told these (unintelligible) following the van, and my intent was to
643 (unintelligible), 'cause the only reason (unintelligible). My seizure
644 (unintelligible) problems with them for a long time. My seizure was so bad
645 when I first got that trailer house (unintelligible), that I (unintelligible) store,
646 the old (unintelligible) store.
647
648 Q: Okay. And...
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650 A: Broke the latch to it.
651
652 Q: The town in Ohio is by Lorraine?
653
654 A: And Ohi- and (unintelligible).
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656 Q: And (unintelligible).
657
658 A: And I know the name of it. And there's a Long John Silver restaurant over
659 there.
660
661 Q: Okay. You said you'd taken photos in July of '92 - or July of '99?
662
663 A: Okay. I'll tell you when I took the photos, July of - July of '92 to '99. Some of
664 them turned out, some of them did not.
665
666 Q: Except there were two years that you wouldn't take photos?
667
668 A: Two hundred - 2000, 2001.
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670 ((0:18:00)).
671
672 A: Last year and this year, I didn't take...
673
674 Q: Okay.
675

A: ...for the last two years.

Q: Okay. And, um, where are the photos?

A: They're at a friend's house in St. Cloud, but they're not gonna be at her house long, 'cause she's gonna sell her house, and I don't know where she's going. She's gonna send them to me, but...

Q: Do you know where she lives in St. Cloud?

A: I looked - I looked at the photo.

Q: Do you know where...

A: Let me - listen, I - let me tell you something. I looked at the photos, and let me tell you what, they don't look clear.

Q: That's not the question I asked. Where does she live in St. Cloud?

A: She lives in a trailer park, but she doesn't live there anymore. She sold her, uh, her house. And there's some people living there, and I don't know what their names are, they're (unintelligible). She's living out of state 'cause she's gonna move to - she's gonna move to Florida. But she told me that the pictures didn't come out, and I have seen the pictures with her, 'cause I got one of the pictures (unintelligible) house, but I would have to look for it, and that would take me time. But the pictures didn't turn out at all, because this guy was there, he would always stand in front of him.

((0:19:00)).

A: And Jacob, (unintelligible).

Q: And who is this guy?

A: One of the guys who was helping to hold Jacob.

Q: So it's either (unintelligible) or...

A: One of them is...

Q: ...the guy?

A: No, (Dewire)'s (unintelligible), so (Bloom) - (Bloom) was in jail.

Q: So, who...

721
722 A: Well - well...
723
724 Q: ...(Bloom)?
725
726 A: (Donald Bloom)'s a friend...
727
728 Q: Okay.
729
730 A: ...to me now.
731
732 Q: So who is the one standing in front of...
733
734 A: One of the guys that (Dewire) used to hang around with. You know that first
735 full photo of - of that first, um, poster of Jacob Wetterling?
736
737 Q: If we do, we have it in the file.
738
739 A: Can I look at it? I want to show you something on...
740
741 Q: No, I mean the file would be put away kind of, I...
742
743 A: Okay, grab one of the (unintelligible) 'cause I was gonna show you...
744
745 Q: Okay.
746
747 A: ...that one day. There's one with a cap and there's one with (unintelligible).
748 Younger guy is the one that looks like the one in the photo that I took. But
749 these pictures did not take, uh, turn out because (unintelligible) not turn out.
750 And I took them...
751
752 Q: Okay.
753
754 A: ...too far away, like across the street.
755
756 Q: But - but you have them at home? Would I be able to see them?
757
758 A: I've got one of them at home. After I dig them up, that's gonna take me some
759 time.
760
761 Q: Okay.
762
763 A: But I know that they did not turn out, 'cause I looked at them, and they did not
764 turn out...
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((0:20:00)).

A: ...because there was a train going by. Hell, the train decides to come by when I started taking them pictures. (Unintelligible). And I (unintelligible) contact her through (unintelligible), her mom.

Q: Okay.

A: But her mom won't know anything about (unintelligible) 'cause she's married now, living in Kentucky, but she'll give you a regular statement that she believes everything I say about Jacob, 'cause she accidentally contacted him on the Internet.

Q: He - and - and (Iona) is the one that contacted Jacob Wetterling on the Internet?

A: And here's what she told me.

Q: When did she last contact him on the Internet?

A: Well, a year, uh, she said he was 22 or 23 at the time. Here's what she told me, okay. She said, "I believe everything you're telling me, 'cause you don't lie to me, (unintelligible)." How? She says, "I was sitting here and you was standing right there, and you didn't (unintelligible) and I was shocked." Here I was (unintelligible) talking to this guy, (unintelligible) from Minnesota, but he couldn't say what town.

((0:21:00)).

A: And then he was just (unintelligible) abducted child, that if there's anything else he could do. So (unintelligible) that's the (unintelligible) that his family had given him. (Unintelligible).

Q: Mm-hm.

A: If (unintelligible), but he talked to her so well on the - on the Internet. And he'd never contact her 'cause she knows more about that. She told me a lot more, however it's blank right now. But she was from Kentucky and she - I wish I could remember her mother's name.

Q: So this (Carmen), she wasn't with you in Ohio?

A: She (unintelligible).

Q: (Unintelligible), Ohio.

811
812 A: That's what (unintelligible) to help.
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814 Q: That was just you?
815
816 A: Uh-huh. We went in that gold brick house together. Every time I went in
817 there, she went in there too.
818
819 Q: Okay.
820
821 A: I have to show you that house. I'll go - I'm gonna go up there the 6th of
822 November, okay.
823
824 Q: Mm-hm.
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826 A: And I've got a camera, I'll take some pictures of that house. Even though
827 those people (unintelligible) now, I'll take a picture, (unintelligible).
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829 ((0:22:00)).
830
831 Q: Um, what street?
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833 A: 8th Avenue South.
834
835 Q: Okay.
836
837 A: I wanted to talk to the FBI a long time ago, but I didn't think they'd listen to
838 me.
839
840 Q: So why didn't you call them...
841
842 A: But like I said, the cops said stay out of it.
843
844 Q: But there's the 1-800 number on the phones that aren't in the...
845
846 A: But see, if - if - if - but that's for the Wetterling Foundation too. You don't
847 (unintelligible) the Wetterlings (unintelligible) call.
848
849 Q: The 1-800 number to the Wetterling Foundation is on there. Also, the FBI is
850 on there.
851
852 A: I didn't know that.
853
854 Q: Um...
855

A: But I'd gladly show them what I seen by that house and stuff. And (Carmen) had the guts - I - I did go down the basement steps, but I - I only went halfway down there. (Carmen) went all the way, and she found white boys' - not men's socks, imbedded in the (unintelligible) down there. I don't know what she ever did with them. And that black hair dye, that's how they knew he dyed his hair black, 'cause they dyed his hair black.

((0:23:00)).

A: And if you could find that picture of the old (unintelligible) map, I could show you how (unintelligible). But I've seen that there so many times. It's pathetic.

Q: Okay. And - and the last time you saw this man...

A: Was in '99. But they haven't done a lot more to it. It doesn't run now, it's got tires off of it from what I seen when I went down there.

Q: Now that will come out in the photograph?

A: No, that didn't show because the (unintelligible). There was (unintelligible) went down there, and I had problems with that. (Unintelligible). Hey, get off of there. And there's a little (unintelligible) his statement that I have - in fact she wrote it twice because the other one's gone...

Q: Okay. Who's (Elizabeth) - now, that's a new name.

A: That's who you guys got a letter from, and oh, I told her about this, she said...

Q: (Elizabeth)?

A: (Baraka). Her name is (Betty Baraka) but she goes by (Elizabeth), but she won't tell anybody about that, 'cause she's tired of talking to people 'cause they wouldn't listen to her either when she tried to tell people.

((0:24:00)).

A: She worked in the Junior High where he went to school, Jacob. And she said he came to school crying, telling people that (unintelligible) threatened to have him kidnapped. As soon as he said (unintelligible) something about a black (unintelligible), he said his dad was running - his dad runs some kind of black - black (unintelligible). And when Jacob - Jacob (unintelligible), he - he, um - um, came to school crying that his dad - his step-dad threatened to have him kidnapped. 'Cause Jerry is his step-dad, you know.

Q: No, I didn't know that.

901
902 A: You didn't know that? You didn't...
903
904 Q: No.
905
906 A: ...hear on the news, how Mrs. Wetterling, um, Patty was - was - out of
907 wedlock, she had Jacob out of wedlock?
908
909 Q: No, I didn't.
910
911 A: And he was only 15 months old when she was - (unintelligible) told her if you
912 don't get married, you take that kid away, 'cause (unintelligible). Out of
913 desperation so she wouldn't get her kid taken away, she married her old
914 childhood sweetheart, that, uh, Jerry Wetterling.
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916 Q: No, I didn't hear that.
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918 ((0:25:00)).
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920 A: That's his step-dad.
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922 Q: No, I didn't know that.
923
924 A: And that's when I seen (Bloom), the year after he had picked me up
925 (unintelligible), and I wanted to go right to the authorities up there and tell
926 them what (Bloom) did to me. He of St. Cloud, a
927 year afterwards he - he was seen talking to (Dewire). I didn't know who
928 (Dewire) was until later on.
929
930 Q: How did you come across (Dewire)? Uh, how do you know his name before
931 you...
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933 A: After he took - after I found that receipt in his pocket. But I - I caught his first
934 name that one time that him and (Donnie) were talking - he also called
935 (Donnie) Little (Donnie). He says, "Hey, (Don), (Donnie)." Next time
936 (unintelligible) a little bit bigger job. Good grief. And at the time she took me
937 out of St. Cloud, God, shit. He had a car like...
938
939 Q: Okay. Um...
940
941 A: ...a (unintelligible) car. Two-door (unintelligible) car.
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943 (0:26:00)).
944
945 A: Big one. (Unintelligible). There's so much (unintelligible) that you have never

946 seen.
947
948 Q: Okay. But, um, you're gonna get me the article on this (Dewire)?
949
950 A: Yeah, I'll find that but it's just...
951
952 Q: Okay.
953
954 A: ...about the (unintelligible). I'll look for that. That's gonna take time though,
955 so don't expect me to do that right away. But there's no picture of him, but it
956 was in the St. Cloud Times. If I can find another of the St. Cloud Times for
957 you.
958
959 Q: I can get that myself. Okay. Um, and then you were gonna get me...
960
961 A: And so only (unintelligible)...
962
963 Q: ...a photograph...
964
965 A: ...the only (unintelligible) and...
966
967 Q: You said you had a couple of these photographs that you had taken?
968
969 A: Yeah, but they didn't turn out because...
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971 Q: That's fine, but you're gonna get them to me?
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973 A: I'm gonna try to get them to you, but it'll be after I get back.
974
975 Q: And then where are you going?
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977 A: St. Cloud for a couple days.
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979 Q: Okay.
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981 A: I'll be up there from the 6th until, uh, Saturday.
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983 Q: On Jacob?
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985 A: But as soon as I...
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987 Q: In Ohio?
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989 A: Yeah, as soon as I took pictures, they busted in the house, because there was a
990 (unintelligible) going by.

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992 Q: Oh, I thought you stated there was gonna be a guy standing in front...
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994 ((0:27:00)).
995
996 Q: ...of that?
997
998 A: Well, there is a guy standing in one of the pictures, you can just see his torso
999 because he wouldn't let me take the top of him. He kept coming right up to
1000 the camera.
1001
1002 Q: Oh, I thought...
1003
1004 A: I'm standing like here with the camera.
1005
1006 Q: Okay.
1007
1008 A: And this is the way he came up to me, almost right here in front of the camera.
1009 And one time he put his hand right on my camera lens thing. I'll show you the
1010 camera (unintelligible) at home. It's a - it's a...
1011
1012 Q: No, I don't need to see the camera.
1013
1014 A: ...flash...
1015
1016 Q: Why would I need to see...
1017
1018 A: There's no film in it right now.
1019
1020 Q: No, what I need - you know where - you're just stating to me that I'm gonna
1021 see a picture of tor-torso.
1022
1023 A: And one of them just turned out black. Just turned out with this black shadow,
1024 and it didn't come out. It's with some pictures I took while I lived in Iowa. I
1025 wanted (unintelligible) Iowa and Ohio, and I took some pictures, and one of
1026 the pictures I took turned out blacker than hell. It's one of the pictures that I
1027 took while I was in Ohio.
1028
1029 Q: I know, then Jacob Wetterling?
1030
1031 A: That guy came...
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1033 Q: And you have the negative to that?
1034
1035 A: ...that guy came in the picture.

1036
1037 Q: And you have the negative to that?
1038
1039 A: Yeah, I went from Iowa to Ohio at the time...
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1041 ((0:28:00)).
1042
1043 Q: And you have the negative with that black picture?
1044
1045 A: I don't know what I did with that thing, my negative, I really don't. I've got
1046 some film now that I haven't had developed yet. I don't know what's on it. I
1047 don't know if any of the pictures on there - on there are from - I got to take
1048 some film up to St. Cloud, when I get to St. Cloud. Jerry (unintelligible) some
1049 film (unintelligible).
1050
1051 Q: So you're not gonna get me a photo of this Jacob in Ohio?
1052
1053 A: I'll try to find what I have.
1054
1055 Q: Okay.
1056
1057 A: But I didn't get him because that guy stepped in front of his (unintelligible).
1058
1059 Q: And then you're also gonna get me that letter?
1060
1061 A: Yeah, from (Elizabeth Baraka).
1062
1063 Q: From...
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1065 A: (Elizabeth Betty Baraka). Like she said, he was gonna write an essay about
1066 how his - his stepdad threatened to have him kidnapped. She doesn't know if
1067 he ever did it.
1068
1069 Q: Okay. And so, and - and this will all be when you get back, roughly what?
1070
1071 A: I might be able to find the one of Jacob, 'cause I had it out that one day you
1072 were there.
1073
1074 Q: Well, I understood that you were gonna leave here shortly. That's why...
1075
1076 A: Well, I was supposed to, but I'm not gonna be able to go, if she doesn't find
1077 me home, she'll come back at 8:30.
1078
1079 ((0:29:00)).
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1081 Q: Oh, okay.
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1083 A: She made several (unintelligible), and she don't live that far away, but if she
1084 don't find me home at 8:30, she's gonna...
1085
1086 Q: Okay. So then if you can find me any of that stuff tonight, let me know.
1087
1088 A: Yeah.
1089
1090 Q: Now, am I gonna - am I gonna get the article, so I can come up here and make
1091 a copy of it or...
1092
1093 A: Yeah, you can have the article - I don't care about the newspaper article, I
1094 really don't.
1095
1096 Q: Okay.
1097
1098 A: I don't want that at all.
1099
1100 Q: And the letter I can make - make a copy of it and bring it back here?
1101
1102 A: Yeah, 'cause I want, uh, I want to keep that.
1103
1104 Q: Yeah.
1105
1106 A: Another thing that - like I said, (unintelligible), I was always in the wrong
1107 time at the wrong place (unintelligible) Wetterling, right. You know that gal
1108 that was killed in - in St. Cloud, that college student?
1109
1110 Q: No.
1111
1112 A: I told the cops about that. I was (unintelligible) she (unintelligible). I was at
1113 the college collecting cans for (unintelligible). It was at nighttime, around
1114 12:00 - 12:00, 12:30, collecting cans. And somebody nabbed a college
1115 student, (unintelligible) out. What's her name?
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1117 ((0:30:00)).
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1119 Q: I don't know.
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1121 A: (Melissa Anderson), (Missy Anderson).
1122
1123 Q: I still haven't...
1124
1125 A: And these guys kidnapped her (unintelligible).

1126
1127 Q: How long ago was this?
1128
1129 A: Awhile back.
1130
1131 Q: Oh, okay.
1132
1133 A: I was at the college collecting cans when they grabbed her. (Unintelligible)
1134 alone. No, he was not there with another guy (unintelligible). And I see the
1135 other guy in St. Cloud once in awhile, and he - he thinks he's so smart 'cause
1136 he got away with, you know, uh, um, what is it called?
1137
1138 Q: Murdering?
1139
1140 A: No, he didn't - I don't know if he actually killed her, but he's a kidnapper.
1141
1142 Q: (Unintelligible) crime?
1143
1144 A: Exactly. That's another thing I want to ask you about. These neighbors - I
1145 heard them talking so they put the metal part on (unintelligible). They were
1146 laughing one night, "Ha, ha, nobody (unintelligible) that we know," that guy
1147 who was here gave them some of that money (unintelligible). They know that
1148 I know something about that (unintelligible).
1149
1150 Q: I was there, in that place.
1151
1152 A: You were there and you talked to them?
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1154 ((0:31:00)).
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1156 Q: I went in - I went in the trailer.
1157
1158 A: They took him out of town before you had got there, before you even closed
1159 the roads off - road block. I know that as a fact.
1160
1161 Q: But then they wouldn't have been there. They weren't there (unintelligible).
1162
1163 A: Yes, he was - yes, he was there. I saw him along...
1164
1165 Q: No, but - okay, okay.
1166
1167 A: Where is that letter I gave you about the long blonde hair? 'Cause that's what
1168 he looked like. He's been caught robbing motel rooms.
1169
1170 Q: I gave - no, wait. So where...

1171
1172 A: He's been caught robbing motels over in North Dakota.
1173
1174 Q: Where at?
1175
1176 A: Wahpeton.
1177
1178 Q: I don't even know where...
1179
1180 A: Out there at Wahpeton, a friend of mine lives in North Dakota, (unintelligible)
1181 she said, "Linda, he's been caught robbing motels up here, and they never
1182 catch up with him, he's always one step ahead."
1183
1184 Q: What - where, uh...
1185
1186 A: He's blonde, the guy with the long blonde hair.
1187
1188 Q: Where at...
1189
1190 A: Over on the other side of Wahpeton, she gave me the name - Bismarck.
1191
1192 Q: Bismarck?
1193
1194 A: Yeah. He's been up in that area robbing motels. Long blonde hair, same guy.
1195
1196 Q: And - and where does the - your (unintelligible) work, in Bismarck?
1197
1198 A: She did, yeah. I don't know if she's still working there. I can get a hold of her.
1199
1200 Q: Uh, what's her name?
1201
1202 A: (Jean), (Jean), uh...
1203
1204 ((0:32:00)).
1205
1206 Q: (Jean)?
1207
1208 A: (Jeanie).
1209
1210 Q: (Jeanie)?
1211
1212 A: (Jeanie). She'll only talk to me though.
1213
1214 Q: Okay.
1215

1216 A: But I'll get a statement from her. And I told her about that motel robbery here.
1217 Nobody believes me. See, when he stumbled in their doorway...
1218
1219 Q: Believe me, we have checked everything that you said out...
1220
1221 A: And they lie and they lie, don't they?
1222
1223 Q: Well, I mean if somebody comes up and lies to me, I have to - I've still got
1224 to...
1225
1226 A: You've got to just believe their lies?
1227
1228 Q: No, I - I've got to investigate it and everything like that.
1229
1230 A: So did you ask them if it was a guy with long - with long blonde hair
1231 (unintelligible) at all?
1232
1233 Q: Yes, they did.
1234
1235 A: And what did they say?
1236
1237 Q: What do you think they said?
1238
1239 A: No way. You know why, (Laverne)? Because I tried - I seen him take off with
1240 someone's cash and hand some of it to (Casey). That makes (Casey) accessory
1241 to the fact.
1242
1243 Q: And (Casey) was who?
1244
1245 A: (Casey)'s (unintelligible) in that house (unintelligible).
1246
1247 Q: Who?
1248
1249 A: (Casey), the guy with the short blonde hair. (Casey), the guy who lives in the
1250 blue and white house.
1251
1252 Q: But who took - who took them where?
1253
1254 A: Okay, I'll tell you what happened.
1255
1256 ((0:33:00)).
1257
1258 A: I was home late. You said I wasn't, but the neighbors will tell you
1259 (unintelligible), 'cause she talked to me about taking care of (Mariah). 'Cause
1260 the next day I was going out of town.

1261
1262 Q: And I'm assuming that the reason you didn't answer your door when we
1263 knocked on it, is you just didn't like to talk to police?
1264
1265 A: No, I was in the bathroom.
1266
1267 Q: 'Cause we didn't hear - we didn't hear your dog...
1268
1269 A: I was in the bathroom, in the back.
1270
1271 Q: Which time? Because we were there several times.
1272
1273 A: I know, I heard you a couple times. I said I'm not answering the door. I made
1274 a rule in my house a long time ago. Once I get to the bed, I don't get out of it.
1275 I don't care if it's...
1276
1277 Q: This is in the morning.
1278
1279 A: I know.
1280
1281 Q: When we - we tried...
1282
1283 A: I looked out of my bedroom window, and I seen your - this dark green car
1284 with an antenna drive by, I thought what the hell kind of car is that? I just seen
1285 a dark green car (unintelligible), I said oh, God, not driving past my house.
1286 But this is what happened. I was sitting on the couch, late at night, watching -
1287 I'll tell you exactly what I watch at night, okay. I go from, um...
1288
1289 ((0:34:00)).
1290
1291 A: ...okay, I...
1292
1293 Q: No, I don't need to know what you watch each night.
1294
1295 A: Okay. I'm gonna tell you, every night...
1296
1297 Q: I need to know what you watched that night.
1298
1299 A: ...it's the same pattern as every night. I was watching, um...
1300
1301 Q: But you said you got home late, so really, you're patterns don't fit.
1302
1303 A: I got home at 9:30. 'Cause (Mary) up in Glenwood will - will tell you this, she
1304 brought me home at 9:30.
1305

1306 Q: (Mary) who?
1307
1308 A: (Mary) (unintelligible).
1309
1310 Q: You don't know who (Mary) is?
1311
1312 A: I know her last name but I can't pronounce it.
1313
1314 Q: Then spell it.
1315
1316 A: I can't. It's too long, I used to know her form Wilmer, now I know she lives
1317 up in Glenwood. She lived in Wilmer a long time ago. We lived in the same
1318 trailer park - it's closed down now. I lived in a trailer then. It's a long name.
1319 She moved over by that - on - on one side of that - that lake, not - not that big
1320 old lake, but that other lake. There's two lakes up there.
1321
1322 Q: There's a bunch of lakes up in Glenwood.
1323
1324 A: (Telatin) something?
1325
1326 Q: I don't know. I...
1327
1328 A: Do you have a - do you have a Glenwood book there?
1329
1330 Q: A Glenwood phone book?
1331
1332 A: Yeah, I'll show you her last name, and she'll tell you I was home by...
1333
1334 ((0:35:00)).
1335
1336 A: ...9:30 at night.
1337
1338 Q: Sit down, I'll get it.
1339
1340 A: (Unintelligible).
1341
1342 Q: (Unintelligible).
1343
1344 A: (Unintelligible). It's black.
1345
1346 Q: Her name's (Black)?
1347
1348 A: No, I was looking at (unintelligible).
1349
1350 Q: (Unintelligible).

1351
1352 A: (Unintelligible) (Mary). I want to see (unintelligible).
1353
1354 Q: (Unintelligible) camera.
1355
1356 A: No, I didn't. Mine was like that but it's old - old (unintelligible). Yeah, that's
1357 Glenwood? No, that's - that's (Elbow Lake). Is Glenwood in here?
1358
1359 Q: Yeah.
1360
1361 A: Where? I don't even know where Glenwood is in here, in the back?
1362
1363 Q: Assuming that you had - what does it start with? What does her name start
1364 with? She's either...
1365
1366 A: Don't you have to look under Glenwood?
1367
1368 Q: This is Glenwood. Glenwood.
1369
1370 ((0:36:00)).
1371
1372 A: M. The last name is M. I know how to - I knew her real name a long time ago
1373 when her little boy was only a year old. A real long name. Haven't seen her
1374 for awhile now, I wanted to call her. She (unintelligible). I know how to spell
1375 it. Oh, I know her number.
1376
1377 Q: What's her number?
1378
1379 A: I don't know how to pronounce her last name though.
1380
1381 Q: Want to write her phone number down?
1382
1383 A: Or here, hold on, let's see if I can find her last name.
1384
1385 Q: Okay. Don't write her phone number down.
1386
1387 A: I will. Just give me a minute. I'm trying to find her name.
1388
1389 Q: Well, what's her phone number?
1390
1391 A: I had that number the first time, but that's what I can't remember. 320, so - I
1392 know the last part's 0109, I'm sure it's all - now, yeah, I'm gonna - oh, come
1393 on, Linda. Why do they have so many names in this Glenwood area? Guess
1394 there's been more people in Glenwood.
1395

((0:37:00)).

A: Come on, Linda. She'd just had puppies awhile back. My dog had some too, but they were stillborn - two of them. They had some marks but they were so cute, they would have been really cute. I could never pronounce her name. Gosh, she's got two cute boys. Well, she didn't have puppies, her dog did. I could find her name faster in the blue one I have at home, the Glenwood I have - M-E-L-L. I don't think it's - I'll tell you the first part - oh, 634 is the first part of it. 320-634 - that's Glenwood? Yeah. Is that the...

Q: 634?

A: Yeah. Is that the Glenwood number? The first three digits are Glenwood?

Q: I don't know.

A: (Unintelligible) yeah.

Q: What is her name now?

((0:38:00)).

A: (Mary). (Mary)'s her first name, but I can't pronounce her last name. It's a hard name to pronounce. She won't talk to you without me though, (unintelligible), 'cause she'll get nervous if you call her. But she brought me home that night, 'cause I (unintelligible) over to, um...

Q: Oh, so she isn't a friend of yours?

A: ...and - yeah, she is. But I hitchhiked over to (Alex) to cash my EBT card, because you don't have to pay a dollar and a half - you have to pay a dollar at - so I hitchhiked over there to cash my EBT. You know what EBT - EBT is? It's welfare checks, through the blue card that you have.

Q: Mm-hm.

A: So I hitchhiked over there and I wanted to cash that. And then I knew I would get stuck over there, 'cause one time when I tried to hitchhike back, I - I - I didn't get a ride for 14 hours on the exit ramp, so I called...

Q: So you're gonna find that number for me too in your phone book at home? You said you had it marked down?

A: If it's - well, I don't have it marked.

1441 Q: Or you're gonna find her name, okay.
1442
1443 A: It's a long name.
1444
1445 Q: Name of...
1446
1447 ((0:39:00)).
1448
1449 Q: ...(Mary), okay.
1450
1451 A: (Mary) brought me home that night.
1452
1453 Q: I will - I will...
1454
1455 A: And that was (unintelligible).
1456
1457 Q: ...let you find that for me too. You guys should probably get going if you're -
1458 so you don't miss your...
1459
1460 A: She was - she was home - and she - here, it's like this - kind of like this name
1461 right...
1462
1463 Q: So how long are you gonna take to get me this stuff? You said you're gonna
1464 be gone...
1465
1466 A: Well, she's not the one that has, um, well, I'll - I'll get you - you can call her
1467 yourself, as long as I'm here when you call her, 'cause if she knows that
1468 you're calling her about it, she'll get nervous but...
1469
1470 Q: Okay.
1471
1472 A: ...I was home that night when they - when that guy came there to rob - after he
1473 robbed that motel. She brought me home from (Alex).
1474
1475 Q: Yeah. Okay, but...
1476
1477 A: That's what I'm trying to say. That's...
1478
1479 Q: But - but...
1480
1481 A: ...that stuff is from Jacob - Jacob...
1482
1483 Q: When are you gonna get me this stuff?
1484
1485 A: Let me see that. This, before I go.

1486
1487 Q: Okay.
1488
1489 A: This, maybe not until get back 'cause it's gonna take me time. This, before I
1490 go. (Mary), I can't - I can look up her name better in my other book.
1491
1492 Q: Okay, yeah.
1493
1494 A: Um, but you got her number, just call it.
1495
1496 Q: Okay.
1497
1498 A: When - when was it? Oh, I'll - I'll give you...
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1500 Q: All right. I need that too.
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1502 ((0:40:00)).
1503
1504 A: I'll - I'll call - I'll them with my - with her number for you.
1505
1506 Q: I need that too, okay.
1507
1508 A: A lot of things (unintelligible).
1509
1510 Q: Oh, it is?
1511
1512 A: Yeah, (unintelligible).
1513
1514 Q: Oh. They're putting (unintelligible).
1515
1516 A: Yeah, well, I'm dying of thirst. My - I brought change with me.
1517
1518 Q: Okay.
1519
1520 A: I can show you what kind of change I have...
1521
1522 Q: Are you ready?
1523
1524 A: ...with me.
1525
1526 Q: Oh. Are you ready to go then? And I can give you a ride.
1527
1528 A: (Unintelligible) change.
1529
1530 Q: Keep all that. I will, uh...

1531
1532 A: Find me something cold to drink. I'm dying of thirst.
1533
1534 Q: There's a water fountain. That.
1535
1536 A: (Unintelligible).
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1538 Q: (Unintelligible).
1539
1540 A: (Unintelligible).
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1542 ((0:41:00)).
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1544 ((0:42:00)).
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1546 A1: (Unintelligible).
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1548 Q: (Unintelligible).
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1550 A1: I went to the doctor yesterday for a checkup, and they found a lot of problems.
1551
1552 Q: Okay.
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1554 A1: Um, and that just kind of compounded everything, and...
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1556 Q: They just...
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1558 A1: ...then we just had an argument, and I didn't want to fight, but I'm - I'm
1559 going, um, and he got up and I said, "No," I said, "I - you know, I need to - to
1560 go," and then we heard his folks - or, you know, someone coming up the
1561 stairs, and him and (Marylou) walked in, and - and, uh, I was on my way out,
1562 had my purse...
1563
1564 ((0:43:00)).
1565
1566 A1: ...and he grabbed me and I said, "Ow," I said, "Don't you touch me," and I
1567 left.
1568
1569 Q: And (Tim) grabbed you?
1570
1571 A1: Yeah, yeah.
1572
1573 Q: Okay. Did he leave any marks on your or anything?
1574
1575 A1: No, huh-uh.

1576
1577 Q: Okay. He grabbed you by the arm?
1578
1579 A1: Yeah.
1580
1581 Q: Okay.
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1583 A1: And then I...
1584
1585 Q: Was he mad then when he grabbed you?
1586
1587 A1: Didn't really pay attention. Um, you know, he said, "What's going on in
1588 here?" And I - you know, and he grabbed my arm 'cause I was, you know, I
1589 had to go around him to get out, and I said, "Just don't touch me," and - and
1590 left.
1591
1592 Q: Okay.
1593
1594 A1: So I just want to drive, I didn't want to fight.
1595
1596 Q1: (Unintelligible) this was getting - getting (unintelligible).
1597
1598 Q: So - so you left then?
1599
1600 A1: Yeah, and I left.
1601
1602 Q: Oh, okay. And did you ever go back to the farm site that night?
1603
1604 A1: Eventually, it was probably about midnight, I drove back up.
1605
1606 Q: Okay.
1607
1608 A1: Um...
1609
1610 Q: Did you go in the house?
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1612 A1: No, I didn't. I could see TV on downstairs. I just stayed out by the mailbox.
1613
1614 Q: Okay.
1615
1616 A1: And, um...
1617
1618 Q: So you didn't - you didn't go back in?
1619
1620 A1: No, everything else was dark and I saw the TV and I thought no, I'm not - I'll

1621 just sit here, you know.
1622
1623 Q: So did you stay there all night then?
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1625 ((0:44:00)).
1626
1627 A1: No, um, I fell asleep for awhile and (Bo) came in - I don't know what time it
1628 was. 1:00, 1:30 maybe, somewhere in there. He pulled up beside me, knocked
1629 on the window and - and we went and talked.
1630
1631 Q: Okay.
1632
1633 A1: And...
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1635 Q: So you didn't see what happened in the house then after you left?
1636
1637 A1: No.
1638
1639 Q: Okay.
1640
1641 A1: I have no clue.
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1643 Q: What - what were you told happened?
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1645 A1: I was told that, um, that (Kim) got verbal with - with (Bo), um, and I was told,
1646 um, that he - in my nightstand there was a gun, 'cause I was alone
1647 (unintelligible) nights, and he wanted it there, and I didn't want it loaded, so it
1648 was an empty gun sitting in there. Um, and he just seen it the other day, 'cause
1649 he said you need to get that back - I shut the door back on it and didn't think
1650 anything of it, and he - I guess he held it up at his head and - and realized he
1651 had it, threw it on the bed, and left, um, and came after me.
1652
1653 Q: Mm-hm.
1654
1655 A1: And I saw him coming and I just kept going. I didn't...
1656
1657 Q: Did you see the headlights coming?
1658
1659 A1: Yeah, yeah.
1660
1661 Q: Okay.
1662
1663 A1: And he's got...
1664
1665 ((0:45:00)).

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1667 A1: ...cab lights on the (unintelligible).
1668
1669 Q1: Oh, yeah.
1670
1671 A1: So I knew, you know, it's like no, I - I don't want to talk, you know, I just...
1672
1673 Q: Mm-hm.
1674
1675 A1: ...want to find...
1676
1677 Q: But he - he didn't - he didn't find you then?
1678
1679 A1: No, huh-uh.
1680
1681 Q: Okay.
1682
1683 A1: No, and I just went driving and crying and...
1684
1685 Q: Sure.
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1687 Q1: (Unintelligible).
1688
1689 Q: And did - did, uh, did (tell you - did she ever tell you that (Kim)
1690 pointed a gun at her?
1691
1692 A1: Not until this morning and that was it.
1693
1694 Q: Okay.
1695
1696 A1: And, um...
1697
1698 Q: Did she tell you, uh, on the way out here or...
1699
1700 A1: Just sitting out here, yeah.
1701
1702 Q: Okay.
1703
1704 A1: Otherwise I have no...
1705
1706 Q: Tell me what she told you then.
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1708 A1: She just said that he pointed it at her and she said, "(Ken), put it down," and -
1709 and that was it.
1710

1711 Q: Do you think she felt threatened by that?
1712
1713 A1: I don't - no, I don't think so, not by the way she was talking. You know, she
1714 said she's proud of herself, she stayed calm and - and she said, "I knew he
1715 wouldn't do anything. You could just tell that he didn't - wasn't - didn't have
1716 (unintelligible)."
1717
1718 Q: Okay. But she did mention that he pointed a gun at her?
1719
1720 A1: Yeah.
1721
1722 Q: Okay. Then did she mention anything at all of a suicide threat?
1723
1724 ((0:46:00)).
1725
1726 A1: Something about he put the gun in his mouth and that was, you know.
1727
1728 Q: Okay.
1729
1730 A1: I just heard little tiny...
1731
1732 Q: Okay.
1733
1734 A1: ...bits. I don't know if I'd known that...
1735
1736 Q: Were your children standing there when he did that?
1737
1738 A1: I guess - I heard that they locked themselves in the bathroom. So I don't know
1739 - I'm not clear if they saw that or I guess there was...
1740
1741 Q: And I - I take it you haven't asked them what they saw?
1742
1743 A1: No, I didn't - you know, this morning, they wanted to go to school. Um, so we
1744 took them into school and they were fine.
1745
1746 Q: Mm-hm.
1747
1748 A1: You know, they seemed okay.
1749
1750 Q: Mm-hm.
1751
1752 A1: Um...
1753
1754 Q: And are they like in - one in 5th grade?
1755

1756 A1: Yeah, ('s 5th, s in 2nd.
1757
1758 Q: Okay.
1759
1760 A1: They have Mrs. (Unintelligible) (Nelson) in there now.
1761
1762 Q: Sure. But they didn't - they didn't, uh, they didn't mention to you...
1763
1764 A1: No, huh-uh, no, they didn't say.
1765
1766 Q: See, that's where my concern is, what they saw, you know.
1767
1768 A1: Yeah.
1769
1770 Q: If they saw that, that's, uh, pretty traumatic for them.
1771
1772 A1: Oh, I'm sure.
1773
1774 Q: So...
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1776 A1: I thought about that on the way in, that I should call Mrs. (Paulson) and...
1777
1778 Q: (Angela)?
1779
1780 A1: ...(unintelligible). Yeah, see if they could cross the bridge.
1781
1782 Q: Yeah.
1783
1784 A1: 'Cause I know they've gotten sheets, you know...
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1786 ((0:47:00)).
1787
1788 A1: ...that say if there's any other...
1789
1790 Q: Mm-hm.
1791
1792 A1: ...concerning...
1793
1794 Q: I would probably do that. (Angela)'s pretty good at that.
1795
1796 A1: Yeah.
1797
1798 Q: And, uh, you know, you can let her know when you talk to her, that we -
1799 we're investigating it.
1800

1801 A1: Right.
1802
1803 Q: So...
1804
1805 A1: Yeah.
1806
1807 Q: ...you won't have to make a report or any of that.
1808
1809 A1: Right.
1810
1811 Q: I know that she can probably...
1812
1813 A1: Yeah.
1814
1815 Q: ...(unintelligible).
1816
1817 A1: It's sort of good to have someone else...
1818
1819 Q: (Unintelligible).
1820
1821 Q1: Yeah.
1822
1823 Q: Yeah.
1824
1825 A1: You know, 'cause they're really open. They talk just about anything.
1826
1827 Q: Yeah.
1828
1829 A1: You know, they - they've always had that kind of relationship.
1830
1831 Q: Yeah. Well, what are your plans now, (Pam), as far as, uh, you know, if (Kim)
1832 stays in the house?
1833
1834 A1: Move (unintelligible).
1835
1836 Q: So...
1837
1838 A1: Hm-mm.
1839
1840 Q: Okay.
1841
1842 A1: My kids come first, you know.
1843
1844 Q: Yeah.
1845

1846 A1: They are not gonna be in that kind of situation.
1847
1848 Q: No.
1849
1850 Q1: No.
1851
1852 Q: Have you ever seen him get aggressive with a firearm before?
1853
1854 A1: No, hm-mm, never.
1855
1856 Q: You ever seen him beat anybody up?
1857
1858 A1: I've seen him come after before.
1859
1860 Q: Did you see him choke one time?
1861
1862 A1: I - no, I - I left - I think I ran into - and then was trying to get away and
1863 ran to the bathroom, and...
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1865 ((0:48:00)).
1866
1867 A1: ...he followed him in there, uh, so I heard, but I - I didn't see it. I stayed away.
1868 I don't...
1869
1870 Q: Mm-hm.
1871
1872 A1: ...like confrontation.
1873
1874 Q: Yeah. (Unintelligible). Uh...
1875
1876 A1: So, no, I didn't see - physically see that.
1877
1878 Q: (Unintelligible). Well, you've got - that's why you can - yeah, we just, you
1879 know, want to make sure the kids don't ever see that again.
1880
1881 A1: No, they...
1882
1883 Q1: Right.
1884
1885 A1: ...they have no reason - no purpose seeing anything like that.
1886
1887 Q: Yeah.
1888
1889 A1: That's...
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1891 Q1: Yeah.
1892
1893 A1: ...awful.
1894
1895 Q: Yeah. Yeah, it is.
1896
1897 A1: You know, when I heard - well, you know that they were that upset that they
1898 locked - I mean took her brother in the bathroom and locked them in
1899 there, you know.
1900
1901 Q: Yeah. They were too scared then to see...
1902
1903 A1: Yeah.
1904
1905 Q: Yeah.
1906
1907 Q1: I'm sure (unintelligible) didn't know that it was gonna get that out of hand,
1908 you know.
1909
1910 A1: Well, I mean it was an argument...
1911
1912 Q1: Mm-hm.
1913
1914 A1: ...they had no right butting - you know, no one was being hurt. We were
1915 yelling.
1916
1917 Q1: Yeah.
1918
1919 A1: And that's it, you know.
1920
1921 Q1: Yeah.
1922
1923 A1: We...
1924
1925 ((0:49:00)).
1926
1927 A1: ...it was a bad day.
1928
1929 Q: Yeah.
1930
1931 Q1: Right.
1932
1933 Q: (Pam), are you working full time down there now?
1934
1935 A1: I mean now, yeah.

1936
1937 Q: Do you...
1938
1939 A1: I just started, yeah.
1940
1941 Q: Do you get other than County insurance then?
1942
1943 A1: No, 'cause my position is temporary.
1944
1945 Q: Mm-hm.
1946
1947 Q1: Oh, right.
1948
1949 A1: Because of (unintelligible).
1950
1951 Q1: Okay.
1952
1953 Q: Uh-huh.
1954
1955 Q1: Okay.
1956
1957 A1: So it's...
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1959 Q: (Unintelligible).
1960
1961 A1: If it - well, who knows what's gonna happen...
1962
1963 Q1: Right.
1964
1965 A1: ...but if it came...
1966
1967 Q1: Right.
1968
1969 A1: ...you know...
1970
1971 Q1: (Unintelligible) so much.
1972
1973 A1: So if it came to that, then I would be eligible for...
1974
1975 Q: Mm-hm.
1976
1977 A1: ...prorated benefits...
1978
1979 Q1: Yeah.
1980

1981 A1: ...but not insurance, no.
1982
1983 Q: Mm-hm.
1984
1985 Q1: Right.
1986
1987 A1: So no, we were gonna come down to Social Services today, actually.
1988
1989 Q1: Hey, ask the lady in there if there's...
1990
1991 Q: Handle that.
1992
1993 Q1: ...a way you can probably get...
1994
1995 A1: Yeah.
1996
1997 Q1: Yeah.
1998
1999 Q: That's what it's there for, I believe.
2000
2001 A1: Yeah.
2002
2003 Q: I mean...
2004
2005 A1: Yeah.
2006
2007 Q: ...'cause they...
2008
2009 A1: Yeah.
2010
2011 Q: ...you know, if you're...
2012
2013 A1: Yeah.
2014
2015 Q: ...you've got medical problems...
2016
2017 A1: Yeah.
2018
2019 Q: ...you got to get that taken care of.
2020
2021 Q1: Yeah.
2022
2023 A1: Yeah. We both have - well, they say he has insurance through the Army now
2024 (unintelligible).
2025

2026 Q1: Okay.
2027
2028 A1: But...
2029
2030 Q1: Uh, but no...
2031
2032 Q: Yeah.
2033
2034 Q1: ...it would be better to get...
2035
2036 A1: Yeah, if we're double covered then - then that's good.
2037
2038 Q: Mm-hm.
2039
2040 A1: And I have a cancer policy that I took out on myself.
2041
2042 ((0:50:00)).
2043
2044 Q: Mm-hm.
2045
2046 A1: Um, with Afflack.
2047
2048 Q: Afflack?
2049
2050 Q1: Okay.
2051
2052 Q: That's good.
2053
2054 A1: Because of the history in my family, so if it turns out to be...
2055
2056 Q1: Right, right.
2057
2058 A1: ...something like that, I have...
2059
2060 Q1: Right.
2061
2062 A1: So I mean...
2063
2064 Q1: No, definitely.
2065
2066 A1: Yeah.
2067
2068 Q1: You get some coverage.
2069
2070 A1: Yeah.

2071
2072 Q1: Yeah. Well, it sounds like everybody in the whole family's been under a lot of
2073 stress. There's a lot of...
2074
2075 A1: Oh, yeah.
2076
2077 Q1: ...different things that...
2078
2079 A1: The last year's been all - well, especially the last two months it's really been...
2080
2081 Q1: Yeah.
2082
2083 A1: ...real bad.
2084
2085 Q1: Yeah. It hasn't been an easy year.
2086
2087 A1: No.
2088
2089 Q: No. Well, I know - I know you're a good mother. You know...
2090
2091 Q1: It's okay, (Pam).
2092
2093 Q: ...I've seen that over the years and...
2094
2095 Q1: Yeah.
2096
2097 Q: ...(Ryan), he seems like a decent guy. So, but to get that...
2098
2099 A1: Oh, I have no life. My kids are - I mean...
2100
2101 Q: Yeah.
2102
2103 Q1: Yeah.
2104
2105 Q: Yeah, you...
2106
2107 A1: Friday's family fun night, we camp out and sleep on sleeping bags and watch
2108 movies, I mean...
2109
2110 Q1: Yeah.
2111
2112 A1: ...you know, 'cause we - we take our kids everywhere and do everything.
2113
2114 Q1: Yeah.
2115

2116 A1: We don't - we don't go anywhere.
2117
2118 ((0:51:00)).
2119
2120 Q: Well, yeah. Hopefully you'll get some stability in your life.
2121
2122 Q1: Yeah.
2123
2124 Q: Hope and get a job and...
2125
2126 Q1: Yeah, yeah.
2127
2128 A1: Oh, yeah, that's the...
2129
2130 Q1: Yeah.
2131
2132 A1: ...the first thing right now.
2133
2134 Q: So...
2135
2136 Q1: (Unintelligible) your (unintelligible). But in the meantime, you think you'll be
2137 able to stay with (unintelligible) at (Mam)'s - (Mam)'s house?
2138
2139 A1: I don't know what we're gonna - I don't know if there's any houses,
2140 assistance with anyone who...
2141
2142 Q1: Yeah, I wonder.
2143
2144 A1: You know, if the...
2145
2146 Q1: And you would be likely...
2147
2148 Q: Have you...
2149
2150 Q1: ...to stay around this area for awhile or are you...
2151
2152 A1: I don't know.
2153
2154 Q1: Yeah, 'cause I know...
2155
2156 A1: You know, (Megan)'s in a community play, she's worked so hard. That's
2157 coming up in two weeks.
2158
2159 Q1: (Unintelligible).
2160

Q: Mm-hm.

Q1: Well...

A1: She's taken jobs away from them.

Q1: ...you've got a good job but...

Q: I'm gonna stop this tape...

A1: Yeah.

Q: ...and then we can talk some more.

Q1: Oh, okay. Yeah, you just think, um, (unintelligible).

A1: Yeah, you know, if (Bo) can't find work, then no, it would...

Q1: (Unintelligible).

A1: He looked at some...

((0:52:00)).

A2: Lying in a golf course, whatever.

Q: Oh, okay. And you did the same with this check, took this check out of that...

A2: Yeah.

Q: ...out of the box...

A2: Yeah, it was the same with all of them.

Q: Typed it? Okay. And then you sign it?

A2: Yeah.

Q: Okay. All right. The next one here is check number The issue date was, uh, June 14th, and it's just made out to yourself for the amount of $400, and then cashed on the 24th for deposit in-into your account on the 24th. What is it? Have, uh, have you got a - a checking account at t in ?

((0:53:00)).

2206
2207 A2: Uh, no.
2208
2209 Q: Okay.
2210
2211 A2: No.
2212
2213 Q: Okay. Did he cash...
2214
2215 A2: That I cashed just for, uh, that, I think it would have came - well, we cashed it
2216 just to go gambling with it that night, or the night after, that weekend,
2217 whatever.
2218
2219 Q: Uh-huh.
2220
2221 A2: That's what it would have been cashed for.
2222
2223 Q: Okay. 'Cause it...
2224
2225 A2: Um...
2226
2227 Q: ...it says the date issued was the 14th, and then the 24th is when you cashed it,
2228 so it's ten days later.
2229
2230 A2: Yeah, it was - I maybe put the date later on the check, you know, 'cause I'm
2231 sure the same day...
2232
2233 Q: Oh.
2234
2235 A2: ...you know, I got - same day I made a check out or the next day, I went down
2236 and cashed it.
2237
2238 Q: Okay. I see what you're saying now. Could it possibly have been - you put an
2239 earlier date on this one, uh, than what it actually was? Because from looking
2240 at here, you know, you've got an issue date of 6/14.
2241
2242 A2: Mm-hm.
2243
2244 Q: Or - and then I'm looking at, uh, every...
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2246 ((0:54:00)).
2247
2248 Q: ...the other date I see on this check is the 24th.
2249
2250 A2: No, it's just the 6/14 I would have put on there would have been - just me

2251 putting an earlier issue date on it.
2252
2253 Q: Oh, okay. All right.
2254
2255 A2: Or yeah, yeah.
2256
2257 Q: And this one you just made out to yourself on the typewriter...
2258
2259 A2: Yeah.
2260
2261 Q: ...for the amount of $400?
2262
2263 A2: Mm-hm.
2264
2265 Q: And then signed the Dr. (Raps) name to it again?
2266
2267 A2: Yeah.
2268
2269 Q: Okay. This next one here, um, is a check made out to, uh, check number
2270 , issued on the 24th of June, made out to Norwest Bank for $9000.
2271
2272 A2: Mm-hm.
2273
2274 Q: Tell me about this one.
2275
2276 A2: Uh, that was to cover - I guess I was in the red in the checking account.
2277
2278 Q: $9000?
2279
2280 A2: I don't remember what the total amount was. Um, it was close to that, it was
2281 like $8500, you know...
2282
2283 ((0:55:00)).
2284
2285 A2: ...it was in that range.
2286
2287 Q: Mm-hm.
2288
2289 A2: Um, try to remember if it was for gambling. I, uh, had my car repossessed,
2290 and, uh, went down to buy another one. Paid for it, and this - I think I bought
2291 that car back like in May. You know, I'd actually paid for it the end of May or
2292 June - when was this check?
2293
2294 Q: This one would have been, um, June 24th.
2295

2296 A2: Okay. And, uh, when I went down there and bought the car, I, uh, went to
2297 Mystic Lake to, uh, try and win some of the - you know, maybe pay - or put
2298 the money in the account to pay for the car.
2299
2300 Q: Mm-hm.
2301
2302 A2: But I didn't. Um, I called the guy a couple days later to, uh, tell him to hang
2303 onto the check, 'cause I couldn't cover it right now.
2304
2305 ((0:56:00)).
2306
2307 A2: Um, ran into some problems with the car, you know, like the cruise control
2308 didn't work, the air conditioner needed to be fixed and stuff. So I'd given
2309 those excuses to - to them, you know, to hang onto the check just because of
2310 all these problems with the car. But it was sold as is and, uh, it went a week,
2311 week and a half, I don't remember the exact timeframe, didn't hear nothing.
2312 Well, I got a call from (unintelligible) saying that they, uh, they took the
2313 check, thinking I was getting a loan from somewhere, you know, so I think
2314 that it hadn't gone through.
2315
2316 Q: Mm-hm.
2317
2318 A2: Well, I went to try to, uh, see if a bit more time, try to win some money back
2319 and, uh, didn't, and just got deeper in the hole. And, uh, that's when (Todd)
2320 told us go ahead and get out of it. Um, and that's what it's for.
2321
2322 Q: Okay. So, instead of writing this check out or typing this check out to
2323 yourself, you made it...
2324
2325 ((0:57:00)).
2326
2327 Q: ...to Norwest Bank in Fergus Falls, because they had covered that $8500?
2328
2329 A2: Yeah.
2330
2331 Q: Okay. Then that's the rea- that's the reasoning for the large amount then?
2332
2333 A2: Mm-hm.
2334
2335 Q: Okay. Okay, what did you, uh, did Norwest Bank question why this came
2336 from the Grant County Health Center?
2337
2338 A2: They called and said that, uh, I told her I need a few days, you know, to try
2339 and come up with it, see what I can do. You know, and in a few days I tried
2340 the gambling thing, and I didn't win nothing. And then, uh, I told her the same

2341 thing I told pretty much (Barb), I said there, uh, help me out here. And, uh, it
2342 just goes forward.
2343
2344 Q: Okay. Did you tell them it was for a - a - from some retirement fund or
2345 anything like that, or - or...
2346
2347 A2: Mmm, no.
2348
2349 Q: Okay. What'd you say?
2350
2351 ((0:58:00)).
2352
2353 Q: The Health Center was gonna help you out?
2354
2355 A2: Yeah.
2356
2357 Q: Okay. And this check also, you just...
2358
2359 A2: Yeah, it was...
2360
2361 Q: Took out and typed and...
2362
2363 A2: ...same as the others.
2364
2365 Q: Okay. And signed his name to it? Next one is, uh, check number . Uh,
2366 the issue date on this was the 21st of June, 1996, for the amount of $872.97 to
2367 Triad Financial Services. Okay.
2368
2369 A2: Um, that was an old credit card of mine from college. Um...
2370
2371 Q: Okay. A Capital Visa?
2372
2373 A2: Yeah.
2374
2375 Q: Okay.
2376
2377 A2: Capital One. Um, I, uh, my dad's card - credit card in college, um, I don't
2378 remember - I suppose I was like a sophomore, maybe a freshman.
2379
2380 Q: Mm-hm.
2381
2382 A2: And, uh, then when I got it and I'd used it...
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2384 ((0:59:00)).
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2386 A2: ...primarily, you know, for little things, you might buy books and stuff but I...
2387
2388 Q: Mm-hm.
2389
2390 A2: ...also used to get cash drawn out of it.
2391
2392 Q: Mm-hm.
2393
2394 A2: To go gambling. I think I started my junior year in college. Just a little bit
2395 gambling, then it just kind of grew and, um, you know, I paid what I could at
2396 the time, you know, to keep them happy and then, uh, when I didn't have
2397 money, I - or I - when they were happy, the money I was putting towards that
2398 to keep them happy, I'd go and waste on pull tabs or slot machines, blackjack,
2399 whatever it was. And, uh, when they finally sent it to this thing, this Triad
2400 must be like a collection agency or whatever. And, uh, at the time I'm sure it
2401 was almost $1000. You know, they can give - they'd cut off all this excess
2402 and stuff, and that's $872 or, you know, was what they could...
2403
2404 Q: Yeah. What they usually do is they'll go for a settlement amount...
2405
2406 A2: Yeah.
2407
2408 Q: ...on those and, uh, you know.
2409
2410 A2: And they gave me a timeframe to work with and, uh, I tried to come up with
2411 the money myself...
2412
2413 ((1:00:00)).
2414
2415 A2: ...you know, many times. You know, they'd call me back. I told them I was
2416 gonna send them money and, uh, I didn't. Said I hadn't come up with it yet
2417 and, uh, yeah. I can't remember the guy's name, but he called back and
2418 wondered where I was. Well then finally, uh, I wasn't gonna get it at the
2419 casinos or anywhere else. I was - I finally just (unintelligible) again.
2420
2421 Q: Okay. So, the person you talked to at Triad Financial Services gave you a - a
2422 basically a settlement amount for this $872...
2423
2424 A2: Yeah, an amount.
2425
2426 Q: ...97?
2427
2428 A2: Mm-hm.
2429
2430 Q: And, uh, you took another check from Grant County Health Center and typed

2431 it in, and...
2432
2433 A2: Yeah.
2434
2435 Q: ...signed it and mailed it to them for that amount?
2436
2437 A2: Yeah.
2438
2439 Q: Okay. Did Triad Financial Services ever call you back and question the
2440 reasoning for Grant County Health Center covering this, uh, this debt?
2441
2442 A2: No, I never heard from them again.
2443
2444 Q: Okay.
2445
2446 A2: I wanted just to get them off my back I guess, but...
2447
2448 Q: Okay. Okay.
2449
2450 ((1:01:00)).
2451
2452 Q: One was - there's another one here on - check number . The issue date
2453 was 7/12/96, uh, to yourself.
2454
2455 A2: Yeah.
2456
2457 Q: For the amount of $400. Any reason? Just needed the money?
2458
2459 A2: To go gambling, yeah.
2460
2461 Q: To go gambling? Okay.
2462
2463 A2: Maybe cover - you know, some of them - some of it would have been used - I
2464 think my actual paycheck there would just cover bills, and so I'd go gambling
2465 and...
2466
2467 Q: How much was your paycheck from the Health Center, uh...
2468
2469 A2: It ranged between $450 and 500 and some dollars, you know, and then when
2470 I'm...
2471
2472 Q: Every week or every two weeks?
2473
2474 A2: ...back there - every two weeks.
2475

2476 Q: Yeah.
2477
2478 A2: And then, uh, up to around $550 after I moved back, you know, with the
2479 County so...
2480
2481 Q: Yeah. All right. So this one again was just taking the check and typing again,
2482 and then signing it and cashing it?
2483
2484 A2: Mm-hm.
2485
2486 Q: Okay. Okay, the next check is, uh, check number '.
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2488 ((1:02:00)).
2489
2490 Q: Issue date was also the 12th of July, to Heartland Motor Company, down in
2491 Morris for $4000.
2492
2493 A2: Mm-hm. That was for - I was supposed to be paying $200 a month on a down
2494 payment down there, I made the truck. Um, it was - it was something that was
2495 - was my brother's check, actually.
2496
2497 Q: Okay.
2498
2499 A2: He didn't know I - I think - well, I think he knew I took it, and I think I told
2500 him it was for gas or something. Um, I'd gotten in trouble a couple years ago,
2501 uh, not using his checks, but, um, a check I had tried to cover some of my, uh,
2502 overdrafts over at the bank, uh, with him and then going back and forth, and
2503 my dad helped me out of that, and, uh...
2504
2505 Q: Mm-hm.
2506
2507 A2: ...at the time they were gonna - it was questioned whether or not to get some
2508 professional help with the gambling and whatnot. Uh...
2509
2510 ((1:03:00)).
2511
2512 Q: They bought this (unintelligible)?
2513
2514 A2: ...and we didn't.
2515
2516 Q: And you probably wish you did?
2517
2518 A2: We decided not to. And they do too. Um, you know, he told me he was sorry,
2519 especially this, you know, with that check, that, uh, they didn't press charges
2520 on that check. You know, they thought well, maybe this is - probably he's

2521 gonna get his act cleared up.
2522
2523 Q: Mm-hm.
2524
2525 A2: Um, and it did, you know, for a couple months but then, you know, I just
2526 started up again, especially when the winter would come. There's nothing to
2527 do but go to bars and, you know, I'd sit there and look at the pull tab jars, and
2528 then finally, you know, crack and start throwing money into it. Um, but they
2529 were willing to work with me on that, so that's $200 a month, uh, to pay it.
2530 Um, well then they - he wanted this, uh, I don't know if it was an actual
2531 garnishment or what exactly it was.
2532
2533 Q: It's called an assignment of wages.
2534
2535 A2: Yeah.
2536
2537 Q: That's what it's called.
2538
2539 A2: Um, and, uh, I agreed to it, and then after I moved - I moved back there.
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2541 ((1:04:00)).
2542
2543 A2: Um, I didn't want it taken out, just 'cause I needed the money for gambling,
2544 you know. Um, I didn't want to lose it, I showed $200 - I think it was $200 a
2545 month, um, to them. Um, but I didn't know how I was gonna pay for them at
2546 the time, it wasn't a concern. You know, I just needed to fulfill my - my, uh,
2547 drive for gambling.
2548
2549 Q: Mm-hm.
2550
2551 A2: Um, and that, I guess I gave them the $400 just to kind of, uh, keep him quiet,
2552 to let them know that, you know, here's part of it.
2553
2554 Q: Okay. Was - was that $400, uh, that $400 check to Heartland Motor Company
2555 given to them after the wage assignment had been assigned? That when it...
2556
2557 A2: Yeah, it was.
2558
2559 Q: Okay. It was after you were realized that you didn't want that $200 taken out
2560 of each month's paycheck?
2561
2562 A2: Yeah. I think, uh, the wage assignment, if I remember they got April, and
2563 then, uh, here in July I figured they were probably getting concerned.
2564
2565 Q: Yeah.

((1:05:00)).

A2: But I hadn't received anything yet, so I...

Q: Mm-hm.

A2: ...went ahead and...

Q: Um...

A2: ...sent them that check.

Q: Now, was - was it a new truck that you had ordered?

A2: Yeah.

Q: From Heartland Motor, back in November of '95?

A2: Yeah, it was - well, actually I think that's when it finally came in. It was like the summer of '95 that I...

Q: Oh, okay.

A2: ...actually ordered.

Q: Okay. And you were gonna lease that truck?

A2: Yeah.

Q: Okay.

A2: And I had a pre-exist.

Q: And - and, uh, Heartland Motor Company required that you give them a certain amount of down payment towards that truck?

A2: It was an agreed amount...

Q: Like when...

A2: ...upon where they would agree to lease the truck.

Q: Okay. And when the truck came in, then that's when you had to come up with the money?

2611
2612 A2: Yeah, and again, you know...
2613
2614 Q: Okay.
2615
2616 A2: ...I was trying to gamble my way - gamble my way to make it.
2617
2618 Q: Yeah, okay.
2619
2620 A2: To get the money and then they were...
2621
2622 Q: And that's - okay. And that's when you had taken that check then from your
2623 brother's account?
2624
2625 A2: Yeah.
2626
2627 Q: Okay.
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2629 ((1:06:00)).
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2631 Q: Um, I got a copy of the check by the way too, for, uh, $4538.03.
2632
2633 A2: Yeah, whatever...
2634
2635 Q: Okay. And then you signed his name to it?
2636
2637 A2: No, that was me.
2638
2639 Q: You signed his name...
2640
2641 A2: Yeah.
2642
2643 Q: ...to his check?
2644
2645 A2: Yeah.
2646
2647 Q: Okay. And your brother and your mom and dad were aware of this one?
2648
2649 A2: Yeah, they were, uh, that's the one time dad said you should have pressed
2650 charges there, and he was sorry that he didn't.
2651
2652 Q: Okay. And obviously you knew that - maybe you didn't know, but did you
2653 have any idea what kind of money had in his account at the time or...
2654
2655 A2: Did I?

2656
2657 Q: Yeah.
2658
2659 A2: Well, I knew he didn't have that much. Um, at the time what I was gonna do, I
2660 - I went to the bank to have them, uh, stop payment on it. I think I was late on
2661 that, 'cause it had already gone through and, uh, I was gonna go to Heartland
2662 and, uh, tell them that, you know, I just didn't have the money at the time, and
2663 maybe somehow...
2664
2665 ((1:07:00)).
2666
2667 A2: ...try to work something out where I would pay it back. Well, uh, the bank
2668 called my parents and, you know, my mom called me wondering what's the
2669 deal, what happened with this check was for, and I told her the whole thing
2670 and, uh, and we worked out this deal where - or Heartland - Heartland Motors
2671 did, that, uh, to pay this off.
2672
2673 Q: Okay. And then plus being that this was leased vehicle, you weren't making
2674 your monthly payments to GMAC on top of that?
2675
2676 A2: Yeah, I think I made - I think I made the one and then, uh, I was a couple
2677 months behind, and that's when they came and took the truck.
2678
2679 Q: Okay.
2680
2681 A2: And then Heartland sold it somewhere else.
2682
2683 Q: So actually you got lucky that Heartland sold that vehicle?
2684
2685 A2: Yeah.
2686
2687 Q: Really?
2688
2689 A2: Yeah.
2690
2691 Q: Okay. 'Cause apparently you - I think there were some concerns on their part
2692 that you still had an unpaid balance, so the money you owed them...
2693
2694 A2: Yeah, I was - when this was all figured out there, I was gonna go down there
2695 and talk to them.
2696
2697 Q: Okay.
2698
2699 A2: Get those things (unintelligible) away.
2700

2701 Q: Okay. So, just to recap what happened here, so...
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2703 ((1:08:00)).
2704
2705 Q: ...what you're saying, you ordered a - a truck back in the summer of, uh, 1995.
2706
2707 A2: Mm-hm.
2708
2709 Q: And towards the middle part or first part of November of '95, that truck did
2710 come in?
2711
2712 A2: Yeah.
2713
2714 Q: Okay. Um, being that you were leasing that, you, along with Heartland Motor
2715 Company agreed on a - a price of a down payment that they would - that they
2716 agreed on and that you agreed on, that they would let that truck go?
2717
2718 A2: Mm-hm.
2719
2720 Q: And then you'd have to make your lease payments to GMAC?
2721
2722 A2: Yeah.
2723
2724 Q: Okay. And, uh, you know, my guess is that the - the agreement for the amount
2725 was $4538.03?
2726
2727 A2: Mm-hm.
2728
2729 Q: That had to be paid? Uh, so knowing you owed them that money, you turned
2730 around and took a check out of your brother , uh, (Shy)'s account?
2731
2732 A2: Mm-hm.
2733
2734 Q: And told him that you needed it for gas or something?
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2736 A2: Yeah, yeah, something like that. I gave him a reason why it was gone.
2737
2738 Q: Okay. And took this check, filled it out to Heartland Motor Company for that
2739 amount, signed ; name to it?
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2741 A2: Mm-hm.
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2743 Q: And...
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2745 ((1:09:00)).

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2747 Q: ...gave it to, uh, a salesman or the sales manager down there? Is his name...
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2749 A2: Yeah.
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2751 Q: ...(Dan - Dan Drips)?
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2753 A2: No, I think he's the actual, uh, owner, operator or...
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2755 Q: Okay.
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2757 A2: ...whatever, was (Dan Drips). I think (Ken Keller)...
2758
2759 Q: Okay.
2760
2761 A2: ...would have been his manager down there.
2762
2763 Q: So you - so you gave that check to him then? And then obviously, uh, in
2764 return they gave you the truck, and away you went...
2765
2766 A2: Yeah.
2767
2768 Q: ...I'm assuming? And then a short while later you were...
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2770 A2: Well, there was a time that I - when the check came back, took the truck back,
2771 said I'm sorry, you know, I can't afford to keep this now.
2772
2773 Q: Mm-hm.
2774
2775 A2: And especially with this $4500. That's when we worked out this deal for the
2776 $4500, I'll pay that back.
2777
2778 Q: Oh, okay.
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2780 A2: Put their truck back. Well, I still wasn't able to make the payments. You
2781 know, I was trying to make the money, come up at the casinos, pay them
2782 $4500.
2783
2784 Q: Mm-hm.
2785
2786 A2: And, uh, just never made the payments to GMAC, so they came and took the
2787 truck.
2788
2789 Q: Okay. So they gave - they gave you another chance basically?
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2791 A2: Yeah.
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2793 ((1:10:00)).
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2795 Q: After they realized this check had bounced or...
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2797 A2: Yeah.
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2799 Q: ...there wasn't sufficient funds in the account to cover that?
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2801 A2: Yeah.
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2803 Q: And so that's when they decided to do the wage assignment?
2804
2805 A2: Yeah.
2806
2807 Q: Okay. And then it happened and after that even, you still could not realize - or
2808 you realized that you still could not afford to...
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2810 A2: Exactly.
2811
2812 Q: ...take care of that debt? Okay. When did they come and repossess the truck,
2813 do you know?
2814
2815 A2: Oh, I don't remember. Um, March, I think - beginning of March maybe.
2816
2817 Q: Okay. March '96 then?
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2819 A2: Yeah.
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2821 Q: Okay. Kind of a dumb question, isn't it?
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2823 A2: Yeah, I guess - I don't remember. Or maybe it was even February too.
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2825 Q: Okay.
2826
2827 A2: 'Cause I had my car repossessed shortly after that, a couple months.
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2829 Q: Okay.
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2831 A2: You know, (unintelligible).
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2833 Q: Okay. And so, when you wrote this check out to Heartland Motor Company in
2834 July for $400, you did that just knowing you owed them the money still? Uh,
2835 even though you didn't have the truck any longer?

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2837 ((1:11:00)).
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2839 A2: Well, I knew they were probably expecting a check...
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2841 Q: Yeah.
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2843 A2: ...from the Health Center.
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2845 Q: Okay.
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2847 A2: And, um, that was for...
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2849 Q: Okay.
2850
2851 A2: ...(unintelligible).
2852
2853 Q: Let me get back here. And is that the only check then?
2854
2855 A2: Yeah.
2856
2857 Q: To Heartland Motor Company?
2858
2859 A2: Yeah.
2860
2861 Q: Okay. And this one again was just, uh, fill it out on the typewriter, sign it and
2862 send it?
2863
2864 A2: Mm-hm.
2865
2866 Q: Okay. Okay, we'll go to the next one. Check number , issued on August
2867 2nd to yourself in the amount of $500. Is that for just cash and gambling
2868 again?
2869
2870 A2: Yeah.
2871
2872 Q: Okay.
2873
2874 A2: The rest I'm sure right down the line is pretty much that.
2875
2876 Q: Okay. But I just want to go through them.
2877
2878 A2: Mm-hm.
2879
2880 Q: There's - the next one here though, uh, this one's made for $500 also.

2881
2882 A2: Mm-hm.
2883
2884 Q: Uh, check number , issued on the 16th of August.
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2886 ((1:12:00)).
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2888 A2: Mm-hm.
2889
2890 Q: Uh, to you.
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2892 A2: Mm-hm.
2893
2894 Q: Now this one appears, (Tom), that it has been printed out, like actually on the
2895 - on the - on the printer...
2896
2897 A2: Mm-hm.
2898
2899 Q: ...rather than typed. So maybe you can verify that for me.
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2901 A2: I think, uh...
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2903 Q: The reason I'm - I'm assuming that is...
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2905 A2: ...what I would have used that for - well, to have, uh, money taken out, um, for
2906 medical expenses.
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2908 Q: Mm-hm.
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2910 A2: And I really hadn't incurred, you know what I mean, and that's what that $500
2911 I had put on there for. You know, when I go print it off. That's what I was
2912 gonna have it come off was that account.
2913
2914 Q: Oh. Okay, so this one you actually had printed off the computer?
2915
2916 A2: Yeah.
2917
2918 Q: But you were trying to show that this money may have come off your - what
2919 account?
2920
2921 A2: It's a medical expense account.
2922
2923 Q: Okay.
2924
2925 A2: I had money taken out my, you know, paycheck every - every time I had a

2926 paycheck for medical expenses.
2927
2928 Q: Okay, okay. But you still signed...
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2930 ((1:13:00)).
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2932 A2: Yeah.
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2934 Q: ...(Larry)'s name to it? Okay.
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2936 A2: Just 'cause, you know, I didn't have any proven medical expenses for it, you
2937 know.
2938
2939 Q: Sure.
2940
2941 A2: And I thought well, might as well use it to try to go make some money.
2942
2943 Q: Okay. Okay, check number , September 1st to you for $1000.
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2945 A2: Same reason.
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2947 Q: Same reason? Money for - for gambling?
2948
2949 A2: Mm-hm.
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2951 Q: Okay. And you signed this one also?
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2953 A2: Yeah.
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2955 Q: Okay. So I notice every - pretty much every signature is somewhat different?
2956
2957 A2: Yeah, probably just 'cause it - I didn't really know how to do (unintelligible),
2958 so I just scribbled on there.
2959
2960 Q: Okay. Okay. Now, I don't know if it's a misprint on their part - apparently it's
2961 not because it's in here.
2962
2963 A2: It may be a misprint on my part on...
2964
2965 Q: On the check itself?
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2967 A2: Yeah, maybe I put an 8 down there...
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2969 ((1:14:00)).
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2971 A2: ...when it would have been a 9.
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2973 Q: Okay.
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2975 A2: You know, it was really 9/16.
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2977 Q: Okay. So check number , um, the date on the check says 8/16/96, but
2978 you're saying it's possibly 9/16?
2979
2980 A2: I'm sure it is 'cause...
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2982 Q: And you went off...
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2984 A2: ...it came after the .
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2986 Q: Mm-hm.
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2988 A2: I'm sure it's just a misprint when I was doing it.
2989
2990 Q: Okay. And this is made out to yourself again for the amount of $679?
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2992 A2: Mm-hm.
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2994 Q: $679?
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2996 A2: Mm-hm.
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2998 Q: What is the reasoning for that odd amount?
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3000 A2: I think just to make it look different than the $500's all the time, $400's.
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3002 Q: Mm-hm.
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3004 A2: For no reason, I just - I just did it that way just 'cause, uh, you know,
3005 different. Same with the next one, $850.
3006
3007 Q: Okay. And this one here again, you put in the typewriter and signed his name
3008 to it?
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3010 A2: Yeah.
3011
3012 Q: And then, uh, check number on, uh, October 1st to you, for $850?
3013
3014 A2: Mm-hm.
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3016 Q: And you made that one out in a different amount just to show, maybe throw it
3017 off a little bit?
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3019 A2: Yeah.
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3021 Q: Not showing the even...
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3023 ((1:15:00)).
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3025 Q: ...numbers?
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3027 A2: Yeah.
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3029 Q: Okay. This one you signed also?
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3031 A2: Mm-hm.
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3033 Q: Okay. And then the next one, uh, $5500, check number , uh, issued on
3034 October 11th to you?
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3036 A2: Yeah.
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3038 Q: Okay. Why the large amount on that one?
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3040 A2: For that one I, uh, the car I had at the time went bad, uh, the engine did. Um, I
3041 went down, you know, I couldn't fix that one and then, uh, bought this other
3042 one for $2500 I think it was. And then I went - bought it in the Cities, and
3043 from there I went down to Mystic Lake again. Um, I couldn't win nothing. I
3044 think I maybe won a little bit that night, but nothing measurable. Uh, came
3045 back home. Uh, went to (unintelligible) the next day, nothing there.
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3047 ((1:16:00)).
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3049 A2: Um, so I made it to cover that and then extra money to go gamble as much as
3050 I could to go try and win it back, uh, or whatever. My - my whole intentions,
3051 you know, in this whole ordeal, um, money with gambling, was to win
3052 everything back. Stick it back in the hospital, in their checking account, and
3053 just let it go as such.
3054
3055 Q: Mm-hm.
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3057 A2: Um, I mean I knew what I was doing was wrong. Um, uh, at the time I, uh, at
3058 the time I was just so far into it, it didn't matter. Um, and that's, uh, it was - it
3059 was - the funds were there to fill my need. You know, and I used the money
3060 so I'd have to go gambling. Um, and, uh, the gambling I would use to pay off

3061 some of my bills, as well as to pay off, you know, I was just thinking one of
3062 these days I'm gonna win big. You know, I haven't won nothing yet, it's
3063 gonna come. Um...
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3065 ((1:17:00)).
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3067 A2: ...that's why in the middle of October, um, I realized I was just in too far and,
3068 uh, that I wasn't gonna be getting out of it. Um, so then last couple months
3069 here, I was working just to make money, so I could pay off what I could
3070 myself.
3071
3072 Q: Mm-hm.
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3074 A2: Um, I knew full well - I knew I was gonna get caught. I mean I wasn't even
3075 trying to hide it. I think I kind of wanted to get caught. Um, I didn't, uh, it was
3076 - it's something that just got out of control.
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3078 Q: Yeah. Did you, uh, talk - I know there was some discussion about some -
3079 some books.
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3081 A2: Mm-hm.
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3083 Q: Okay. And I mean we had talked about those books that you'd ordered, that
3084 off-offset it, but there's also another book and - and you're probably gonna
3085 have to explain this to me.
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3087 A2: Mm-hm.
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3089 Q: Um, there's supposedly 12 pages like this, one for each month. This happens
3090 to be November's.
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3092 ((1:18:00)).
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3094 A2: Yeah.
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3096 Q: Okay. And obviously what - what kind of - what kind of chart is this here?
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3098 A2: It's the reconciliation.
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3100 Q: Okay. And the reconciliation of what? You - you got to explain this to me.
3101
3102 A2: Well, it's just recon-reconciliation the bank sends, checks.
3103
3104 Q: Oh. Okay, so this...
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3106 A2: Like these are payroll checks and these are payables.
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3108 Q: Okay. And did you at any time try to manipulate these figures in any way?
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3110 A2: Yeah.
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3112 Q: Uh, in - in - in throughout the months?
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3114 A2: Yeah.
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3116 Q: Okay. Did you take the other records, like January of 1996 through, uh,
3117 December of '96, did you take those records out of here, and either destroy
3118 them or not return them?
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3120 A2: No, I - what they were is I - I hid them up at the hospital.
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3122 Q: Okay.
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3124 A2: Um, the day I was let go, 'cause I - 'cause I didn't want them to...
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3126 ((1:19:00)).
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3128 A2: ...catch on right away.
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3130 Q: Okay.
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3132 A2: Um, it was just after Christmas and I didn't - so I hid them in, uh, filing
3133 cabinets in a different office.
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3135 Q: Mm-hm.
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3137 A2: Um, same with this cash (unintelligible) book, which is a different book I hid
3138 on a - the top shelf in the office, where I didn't figure anybody would look.
3139 And then there was a question where it was. Um, I went up there the next
3140 morning, just took it off the shelf and laid it on (Auntie Jen)'s desk.
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3142 Q: Okay.
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3144 A2: Um, I never took anything off property ever. I told that to her, I mean - but I
3145 never actually told (Mary) that I was hiding the stuff either.
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3147 Q: Okay. Um, so where are the other 11 pages to this then? Are they in the book?
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3149 A2: No, they're not in a book. They're in with the (unintelligible), so they use the
3150 same ones.

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3152 Q: Okay. Now you - you said earlier that you never took any of this stuff, and
3153 I'm assuming with the exception of those books you ordered.
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3155 A2: Yeah.
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3157 Q: Uh, that you still should bring back? That's...
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3159 A2: Yeah.
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3161 Q: ...$343, whatever the amount is.
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3163 A2: Mm-hm.
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3165 Q: But you're saying...
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3167 ((1:20:00)).
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3169 Q: ...with the exception of those other books, none of this stuff, um, none of the
3170 records that you tried to hide or anything were ever taken off...
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3172 A2: No.
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3174 Q: ...the property?
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3176 A2: No.
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3178 Q: Okay. Um, and the statement there, kind of - I've got a question for you about
3179 it. And, um, "(Tom) stated that the missing check statements and the cancelled
3180 checks had been at (Dolores Katompson)'s office in the Clinic Wing"?
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3182 A2: Mm-hm.
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3184 Q: Is that true?
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3186 A2: Yeah.
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3188 Q: "I told (Tom) I did not believe him." Uh, let's see. Okay. What, uh, well,
3189 okay, I'll ask you this. What was Grant County Health Center claiming as far
3190 as missing items? Where they missed...
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3192 A2: Well, first was the cash ledger book.
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3194 Q: Okay. That's one. Cash ledger book?
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3196 ((1:21:00)).
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3198 A2: Yeah.
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3200 Q: And then...
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3202 A2: And then the next was the actual ledger book. And, uh...
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3204 Q: Okay. Now there's a difference between cash ledger book and ledger book?
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3206 A2: Yeah, this ledger - it was just with, uh, the manual way of making sure
3207 everything balances with the balance sheet thing.
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3209 Q: Okay. So that's two?
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3211 A2: And, uh, that - that actually never hit. That actually - the day that I was
3212 terminated, um, I was doing - I was making copies of what probably would
3213 have been November's statements, financial statements, and the stuff that
3214 (Dave Stabler) would get down to me.
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3216 Q: Mm-hm.
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3218 A2: You know, we'd bring monthly stuff down and I was copying that at the time
3219 when I had a note from (Mary) to meet her in the town medicine room at 3
3220 o'clock. And, uh, I was so busy copying away and then 3 o'clock - 3 o'clock
3221 came, I just set the book down in the copy room, down in the corner by his
3222 desk. And, uh, just gonna leave it there 'til I came back, so nobody saw it.
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3224 ((1:22:00)).
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3226 A2: And I went to my meeting and she told me I'm being terminated, and, uh, it
3227 just - it got left there. I mean - and she called wondering where it was,
3228 claiming I had it and, uh, I myself at the present time - at first, didn't even
3229 remember I had it still sitting there.
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3231 Q: Mm-hm.
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3233 A2: So I was going to St. Cloud that day, and, you know, she told me to think long
3234 and hard where it is, come up there and bring it to her. Well, I went up there
3235 and, uh, just 'cause I was just so upset with (Mary) at the time, I wasn't gonna
3236 go bring it to her, so I went and got it and brought it out to (Nancy Jennon),
3237 who I worked with.
3238
3239 Q: Okay.
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3241 A2: And, uh, hoping that she'd be willing to explain to her that, you know, I never
3242 took this thing, but where it was.
3243
3244 Q: Mm-hm. Now, so you got the cash ledger book and then the ledger book, and
3245 now does this, uh, check reconciliation, is this in another book by itself?
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3247 A2: Um, well, it could be, you know, in that second ledger book, or else I had
3248 been keeping them with like bank statements...
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3250 ((1:23:00)).
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3252 A2: ...you know, in this folder.
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3254 Q: Okay. Well...
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3256 A2: And if - I guess if they're not in any one of those, I don't know where they
3257 went.
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3259 Q: I guess the reason I'm asking, you know, if these books were left in the office
3260 because one of the statements I got from, uh, somebody up there was that
3261 when apparently you had some of these items in your hand, and you had
3262 talked with (Mary), and when you turned these items over, uh, these items that
3263 you turned over to her were cold, like they'd been sitting outside.
3264
3265 A2: She said they were ice cold, and I said, "Well, the only place they've been
3266 sitting is this filing cabinet in (Dolores)'s office." And whether or not, you
3267 know, some days the heat is on in there and some days it's not, depending
3268 upon if anybody's working there.
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3270 Q: Okay.
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3272 A2: And, you know, that's - but I - I mean I didn't even tell her that, but that's the
3273 only explanation because, uh...
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3275 Q: Okay.
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3277 A2: ...I just went in - I came in the door and I know (Fay Harrelson) saw me come
3278 in.
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3280 ((1:24:00)).
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3282 A2: And, uh, if she saw me at all, she would have saw that I had nothing in my
3283 hand when I came in that door. And all I did was walk on down - I came in,
3284 brushed myself off.
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3286 Q: Mm-hm.
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3288 A2: And then I walked down to (Dolores)'s office and opened the door and
3289 gathered it all in my hands, came around the corner, and then there (Mary)
3290 was talking (unintelligible).
3291
3292 Q: Do you have - do you have any other reason, (Tom), if that's the case, if
3293 maybe you did take these, uh, these, uh, records off - off the Health Center
3294 property, do you have any reason to not tell me the truth about that?
3295
3296 A2: No. I mean not - especially not now.
3297
3298 Q: Okay. Okay. So it's two books that you think, the ca- the ledger and then the
3299 cash ledger, and the - you're saying that the - the check reconciliation, uh,
3300 pages are in one of those two books?
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3302 A2: Well, it'd be either in that one...
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3304 ((1:25:00)).
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3306 A2: ...no, it'd either be in - not the cash ledger.
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3308 Q: Okay.
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3310 A2: It'd either be in that other ledger book that, uh, where you balance everything
3311 to, or it also would be in the bank statements, so it's just a separate folder.
3312
3313 Q: Okay, okay. Well, then - then you - and like I said, this is the only one they -
3314 they've got, you know. Where are the other 11?
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3316 A2: This is the only one they have?
3317
3318 Q: Yeah. This is a copy - copy of the only one they have.
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3320 A2: No one - I'm sure it's in there with all this - if it's not - where I left them was
3321 in with the bank statements, that folder in there, or else in the ledger.
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3323 Q: Okay. I can talk to them about that again too, but you're...
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3325 A2: Okay.
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3327 Q: That's the honest to God's truth, that this...
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3329 A2: Yeah.
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3331 Q: ...you know, they're - they should be there?
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3333 A2: Yeah, and, uh, I would say most of them are probably in with the bank
3334 statements.
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3336 Q: Okay.
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3338 A2: In the folder that they were in.
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3340 Q: Okay. (Unintelligible) for a minute, I'll be right back, okay.
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3342 A2: Sure.
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3344 ((1:26:00)).
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3346 Q: Okay. There's just one other thing I wanted to cover here, (Tom).
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3348 A2: Mm-hm.
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3350 Q: And that's, um, that - so we're looking at a total amount of the embezzlement
3351 of funds, basically, it's, uh, comes to the total of $22,533.22.
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3353 A2: Jeez.
3354
3355 Q: Okay. The accounting books that we explained, uh, $343.74. That's what the
3356 total amount is. Uh, if you've got those, I guess, you know, Grant County
3357 Health Center would like those back.
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3359 A2: Sure.
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3361 Q: Um, and I'm sure that would be something that wouldn't, you know, be
3362 brought against...
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3364 ((1:27:00)).
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3366 Q: ...you, as far as theft of the accounting books.
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3368 A2: Mm-hm.
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3370 Q: Okay. But and like I said, we're looking at the total amount of, uh,
3371 $22,533.22.
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3373 A2: Yeah.
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3375 Q: Okay. Then on top of that, um...

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3377 A2: Expenses incurred, I mean...
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3379 Q: Well, yeah, but that's - that's not for me to decide, you know, or...
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3381 A2: Yeah.
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3383 Q: ...anything like that. They...
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3385 A2: But I know it's - she brought it up when we met with my folks the other day.
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3387 Q: Well, auditors...
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3389 A2: Yeah.
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3391 Q: ...and then corrections done by the staff. So they're looking at like $31,826.96,
3392 okay. So you were aware of that part of it?
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3394 A2: Yeah, yeah.
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3396 Q: Okay. Um, the severity of this, I'm sure you realize...
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3398 ((1:28:00)).
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3400 A2: Mm-hm.
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3402 Q: ...um, it is a felony.
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3404 A2: Yeah.
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3406 Q: And, uh, what I'm holding here is a warrant.
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3408 A2: Okay.
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3410 Q: Okay. And this is - we're gonna - you're gonna appear in court today.
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3412 A2: Okay.
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3414 Q: Right now, as soon as we get done here, and I just wanted to, uh, go over a
3415 little bit with this, um, the offense description is, uh, from May 21, 1996 to
3416 October 11, 1996, the Grant County Health - Grant County Health Center in
3417 Elbow Lake, Grant County, Minnesota, the above-named defendant, uh, you,
3418 initially, and without claim of right, took, used, transferred, can- uh, concealed
3419 or retained, uh, possession of movable proper- movable property of another
3420 without the other's consent, and with the intent to deprive the owner

3421 permanently of possession of the property. Okay. Uh, further, the property is
3422 valued at that amount that we talked about, $22,533.22.
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3424 ((1:29:00)).
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3426 A2: Mm-hm.
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3428 Q: And in a roundabout way, it's - it's, uh, you know, it's a theft...
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3430 A2: Yeah.
3431
3432 Q: ...is what it is, okay. And, um, I think the best thing that - that you have done
3433 for yourself in this whole ordeal, (Tom), is, uh, you know, you came here and
3434 saw us.
3435
3436 A2: Well, yeah, I wasn't...
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3438 Q: You know, and, uh...
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3440 A2: ...I - I realized what I had done was wrong.
3441
3442 Q: Yeah.
3443
3444 A2: And, uh, like I told you before I think, when it came down to it - you know,
3445 there was a couple times in the middle of October there towards, uh, before
3446 Christmas, where I thought to just, you know, ending it completely. But, uh, I
3447 mean there's just too many people around the area. I mean I knew how many
3448 people I was gonna let down. I knew I was gonna get caught, you know, it
3449 was just a matter of time.
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3451 Q: Mm-hm.
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3453 A2: Um...
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3455 Q: Well, you know what, with your gambling, um...
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3457 A2: I saw a counselor for the first time yesterday.
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3459 Q: Yeah. Yeah, I - I don't...
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3461 ((1:30:00)).
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3463 Q: ...I don't know what it's like, you know, I mean, yeah, I go out and maybe
3464 gamble once a year. But, you know, with your gambling problem, what -
3465 what, you know, are we talking, you know, a couple thousand dollars a week?

3466 You know, where...
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3468 A2: Depends upon the (unintelligible). I never...
3469
3470 Q: Where did you lose this money at? Was it at blackjack?
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3472 A2: Most of it slots. Um, I lost quite a bit at pull tabs, and maybe 20, 25% of it
3473 playing blackjack. I'm just not any good at blackjack.
3474
3475 Q: Mm-hm.
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3477 A2: Um, it was just, uh, you know, I really couldn't even tell you really how I got
3478 so hooked on it, but, um, but it was, uh, it never - I never went to where I'd -
3479 $500 a night, you know. Um, it was - it'd be an adrenaline high. I mean your
3480 adrenaline would just get rushing.
3481
3482 Q: Mm-hm.
3483
3484 A2: For me, anyway, and or just go gamble, try to win it back. I mean I thought in
3485 my head I was gonna win all this back sometime, my time had to come.
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3487 Q: Mm-hm.
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3489 ((1:31:00)).
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3491 A2: And come the middle of October, I knew it wasn't coming, and if it did, I
3492 couldn't go any further. Um, I hadn't been gambling - I told my counselor
3493 yesterday I haven't gambled since - since then. Um, I told him there was
3494 maybe one time I played pull tabs, but spent 40 bucks. And, uh, I mean I've
3495 pretty much been scared off of it.
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3497 Q: Mm-hm.
3498
3499 A2: But I told him, you know, I've been scared off of it, you know, for - before.
3500
3501 Q: Yeah.
3502
3503 A2: It didn't stop me. So, uh...
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3505 Q: Did, um, I forgot what I was gonna ask you now. Oh, are - are you working
3506 someplace now?
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3508 A2: I was working as a night auditor at the Best Western, but I found out yesterday
3509 that, uh, he wanted to keep me but when he talked to the home office, that, uh,
3510 they were gonna have to let me go because of this. You know, I came out -

3511 when all this came about on Saturday, I went up Monday morning right away
3512 and I talked to them, and I told them, I said this is what happened...
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3514 ((1:32:00)).
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3516 A2: ...then I told them the whole - whole thing and, uh, you know, he was - he told
3517 me he was happy I was honest with him and, uh...
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3519 Q: Mm-hm.
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3521 A2: ...he, uh, said - so he said I could come work at night and, uh, basically he had
3522 to think about it, and then he would have to talk to the home office, and he
3523 did. And, uh, he called and left a message yesterday and wanted me to call
3524 him back. I never talked to him but I talked to the, uh, the desk manager and
3525 she told me, and, uh, she said there's a lot beef that they wanted to keep me,
3526 'cause I was doing fine and, uh, 'cause I don't - I never really had access to -
3527 to money out there as a night auditor. It was mainly just balancing receipts to,
3528 uh, to, uh, register balances, you know.
3529
3530 Q: Okay.
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3532 A2: And, uh, but the home office felt it was best that, uh, they let me go, so - so
3533 right now I'm unemployed.
3534
3535 Q: Okay. And (Tracy Mitchell) is your attorney?
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3537 A2: Mm-hm.
3538
3539 Q: Okay. I think he's upstairs now.
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3541 A2: Yeah, he said he'd be here...
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3543 Q: Oh, okay.
3544
3545 A2: ...this afternoon, 'cause I called him when (unintelligible) called.
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3547 Q: Right.
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3549 ((1:33:00)).
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3551 A2: He said that they were gonna try and get me into court today and...
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3553 Q: Okay. Well, that'll conclude the interview at, uh, 155, uh, 1555. We'll let you
3554 hold right here a moment. We'll run upstairs here shortly, okay?
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3556 A2: Sure.
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3558 ((1:34:00)).
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3560 Q: I don't know if you've got your stuff, then let's wait down...
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3562 A2: Sure.
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3564
3565 The transcript has been reviewed with the audio recording submitted and it is an accurate
3566 transcription.
3567 Signed_____

NEWS
Q=Tom Brokaw
Q1=(Rahama Ellis)
Q2=(Brian Williams)
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Q5=(Jim Cummins)
Q6=(George Lewis)
Q7=(Roger O'Neal)
Q8=(David Jenks)
Q9=(Molly McMillan)
Q10=(Bill Lerner)
Q11=(George Kessler)
Q12=(Ted Rolands)
Q13=(Tom Hanson)
Q14=(Lisa Rudolph)
Q15=Stone Phillips
Q16=Jane Pauley
Q17=Dan Rather
Q18=(Amy Rutledge)
Q19=(Darryl Barton)
Q20=(Shannon Evans)
A=Dean Rusk
A1=(Lois Wright-Morton)
A2=Barbara De Angelis
A3=(Carmen Cada)
A4=(Julian Broznowski)
A5=(Janet Havdol)
A6=(Don Berkholm)
A7=Larry Risley
A8=(Ron Fezell)
A9=Peter DeFazio
A10=Bala Ambati
A11=(Tanya Shaw)
A12=(Monte Hallis)
A13=(Corey Baker)
A14=(Carl Baker)
A16=(Destiny Shaw)
A17=(Mary Oster)

A18=(Joe Bober)
A19=(Rocco San Flippo)
A20=(Holly Siegel)
A21=(Rosa Scheinholz)
A22=(Richard Davis)
A23=(Murray Cohen)
A24=(Veronica Ferguson)
A24=(Jamie Ian Swiss)
A25=(Clara Maya)
A26=(Jose Linares)
A27=(Al Geerman)
A28=(Kelly Lynch)
A29=(Joe Livingstone)
A30=(Eva Taylor)
A31=(Winifred Riley)
A32=(JB Sherlock)
A33=(Louise Amick)
A34=(Kevin Wynn)
A35=(Michael Craiger)
A36=(Jimmy Yaffey)

Ad: ...thousand to get a state-of-the-art car. Example one, the new Chevrolet Monte Carlo, a personal driving machine to fit your body and your emotions. With a high level of equipment from $17,295. Example two, the new Chevy Lumina, created with input from thousands of customers like you. Impressively equipped, just $15,995. At last, cars you can admire and afford, Lumina and Monte Carlo, at your Lake Country Chevy dealers now.

Ad: Confession number 7, take two.

Ad: I just can't figure it out. I'm amazed by this. I subscribe to all the newest magazines, buy only the thickest newspaper, but I have to admit it, I watch Top Line News at 10.

Ad: And doesn't it get you all the news, weather information and sports stories you need?

Ad: Well, yeah. But no one's ever given me all the news in just eight minutes.

Ad: People are starting to admit it. Their choice for news weeknights at 10:00 is Top Line News. It's about time.

Ad: Well, sometimes I tape it and watch it twice.

Ad: On the next Coach.

((0:01:00)).

Man: (Beth) is fat.

Woman: What?

Man: She is no bantam weight, let me tell you.

Ad: When (Hayden)'s ex-wife hits town.

Man: You look fantastic. Have you been sick?

Ad: (Christine) hits bottom.

Woman: If that is your idea of fat, what I am I, a bus?

Ad: It's (Christine)'s turn to squirm.

Woman: How does my hair look?

Ad: On the next Coach.

Man: Keep the hood up.

Ad: Tonight on KBJR, Channel 6.

Woman: Let's check in with Meteorologist (George Chesma) for a last look at the weather.

Man: (Barbara), it's gonna be a little tricky outside tonight, not because of anything falling out of the sky, but a lot of atmosphere you might say, patchy, dense fog. In fact there is a dense fog advisory for the Twin Forks area. Lows later on down into the 20's, but during the evening hours we'll stay in the 30's.

Woman: All right, thanks so much, (George). That's the news at this hour. Coming up on tonight's 6 O'clock News, we'll talk with some of those who stand to lose the most due to the fire in downtown Duluth, and we'll profile a small business in Superior that has beaten the odds of reaching for...

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Woman: ...and gaining success. These stories and more coming up tonight at 6 o'clock. Thanks for joining us for Live at 5:00. Stay with us now, the NBC Nightly

136 News is next. Good night.
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138 Man: Set decorations provided by (Ingwall) Florist and Greenhouse.
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140 Q: A terrifying day in New York. A firebomb explodes in a crowded subway car
141 - no deaths. More tonight on the Tylenol warning. Even small doses over a
142 long period can be a risk. And the wolf comes back to the west. What's the
143 lesson from living with wolves up north?
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145 Ad: From NBC News, this is NBS Nightly News with Tom Brokaw.
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147 Q: Good evening. Life in New York City is always exciting. It can be hard and
148 it's sometimes dangerous. Well today, the emphasis was on danger, when an
149 incendiary device exploded in a crowded subway car. For a time, there were
150 reports of a second bomb and at least one death.
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152 ((0:03:00)).
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154 Q: But when the smoke cleared, no second bomb, no one dead, but many injured,
155 many questions, and more chaos than usual in a crowded city. Here's NBC's
156 (Rahama Ellis).
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158 Q1: The firebomb went off in the sixth car of a New York City subway train that
159 had just stopped in Lower Manhattan, at the Fulton Street Station, near Wall
160 Street, a stop used by an average of 50,000 people a day. Hundreds of
161 passengers ran out of the train in a panic, leaving their personal belongings
162 behind.
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164 Man: (Unintelligible) in the eyes and, um, (unintelligible).
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166 Man: Just like a - like a lot of exploding, there's flames everywhere.
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168 Q1: At least 37 people were injured, three critically. Police are questioning one
169 passenger who was burned, but refused treatment.
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171 Man: The report I had was that mostly, uh, smoke inhalation, although some
172 patients had some burning.
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174 Q1: The explosion happened at 1:30, not rush hour, but still an extremely busy
175 time of day here in Lower Manhattan, which was filled with holiday shoppers.
176 Police say the firebomb was a crude...
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178 ((0:04:00)).
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180 Q1: ...incendiary device on the lap of a passenger when it exploded. While it

181 caused a lot of smoke and flames, there was no structural damage to the train.
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183 Man: It is, uh, at this time believed that the device may have consisted of a - what is
184 described as some type of glass jar filled with some type of flammable liquid.
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186 Q1: The streets were filled with emergency vehicles in a scene reminiscent of the
187 World Trade Center bombing of February, 1993, only two blocks away.
188 Unlike the devastation caused by that explosion, today's firebomb caused
189 many injuries, but no one was killed. New York's Mayor credited the City for
190 not panicking. Police are not ruling anything out, but they're not sure whether
191 the firebomb went off accidentally or intentionally. (Rahama Ellis), NBC
192 News, New York.
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194 Q: The subway explosion and the run of shootings at the White House coming all
195 at once are unsettling, but they are acts of random violence, they are not
196 connected. The man who was shot and critically wounded for not dropping a
197 knife outside the White House yesterday, now has been...
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199 ((0:05:00)).
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201 Q: ...charged with assault and resisting a Federal officer. NBC's (Brian Williams)
202 tonight on the White House follow up.
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204 Q2: It was back to normal for the President today, despite three separate incidents
205 of gunfire recently outside the White House grounds. His morning jog took
206 him through a Washington public park along the Potomac River. Yesterday's
207 shooting by US Park Police of a homeless man with a knife has not brought
208 about any visible increase in security around the White House, though at least
209 one senior official here expressed concern over a current climate of uneasiness
210 because of recent events. A senior official said the President was interested in
211 the details of yesterday's shooting, and is concerned about the random nature
212 of violence, and protecting what Mr. Clinton called "the people's house." The
213 White House is expressing confidence in the ability of the Secret Service to
214 protect the President, while again denying that yesterday's incident had
215 anything to do with him. But security concerns at the White House have now
216 spread to the Capitol, specifically...
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220 Q2: ...the safety of House Speaker to be, Newt Gingrich. Because of death threats
221 received since the November election, he'll now use a chauffeured
222 government vehicle and be accompanied by armed body guards. This letter to
223 Gingrich from the Chief of the Capitol Police mentions the recent security-
224 related incidents at the White House as part of the reason for concern about
225 Gingrich's safety. A senior White House official is also bothered by some

226 recent comments from conservative radio talk show host G. Gordon Liddy,
227 who said he nicknamed some firing range targets Bill and Hillary, and added
228 that many members of the US military had done the same thing in the past.
229 The official called the comment part of a disturbing trend. (Brian Williams),
230 NBC News, the White House.
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232 Q: There is a breakthrough with North Korea to report tonight, the promised
233 return later tonight of the remains of that US Army pilot, who died when his
234 helicopter strayed over the DMZ and was shot down. The US expects the
235 other pilots still held by North Korea...
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237 ((0:07:00)).
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239 Q: ...to be released and to be home before Christmas. Former President Jimmy
240 Carter is back in Atlanta tonight. The temporary cease fire that he brokered in
241 Bosnia is to take effect on Friday. Carter also said that he worked out plans for
242 a prisoner release. Meanwhile at the State Department, where they usually
243 take themselves so seriously, Press Secretary Mike McCurry is Santa, giving
244 his boss, Warren Christopher, a ten-day vacation. McCurry is expected to be
245 the new White House Press Secretary, where he'll need more than a beard and
246 a funny hat to survive. When Nightly News continues in a moment, is a
247 painkiller a potential killer? Progress, getting those grounded ATR's back in
248 the air again. And a national addiction, it's those infomercials.
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250 Woman: Holy - are you really?
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252 Ad: Since we started the Prize Patrol, we've surprised lots of winners.
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254 Woman: I think I need to sit down.
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256 Ad: This time, we're going to do things...
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258 ((0:08:00)).
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260 Ad: ...a little differently. This year, all of America can watch the Prize Patrol
261 surprise the $10 million winner live as it's happening, on Sunday, January
262 29th. Could it be you?
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264 Man: Let's go.
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266 Ad: Will you be home? Enter the Publisher's Clearinghouse Sweepstakes today,
267 and the Prize Patrol could surprise you live on TV Sunday, January 29th.
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269 Woman: I can't believe the day I had my job, my kids (unintelligible), the computer
270 crashed, (unintelligible) bounced my check, forgot my keys (unintelligible). I

271 had to find a way to tell my boss his boss's boss was mad, and there's that
272 present I have to get for the bridal shower.
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274 Ad: When you have problems falling asleep, try Unisom Sleep Gels, in maximum
275 strength, with a special liquid center, so they'll help you fall asleep fast, and
276 wake up refreshed.
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278 Woman: Got to get some sleep tonight, I've got to be my best. I'm glad I took my
279 Unisom.
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281 Ad: Try Unisom Sleep Gels, and get to sleep fast.
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283 Woman: So at (Jenny)'s school play I get this cough. Somebody handed me these
284 Robitussin cough drops. They worked right away, and I could feel those
285 vapors. Robitussin took the spotlight off me...
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287 ((0:09:00)).
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289 Woman: ...and put it where it belonged.
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291 Ad: Robitussin cough drops, cough drops from the cough experts.
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293 (Singing).
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295 Woman: Incredible. Ice cream and cake creations, new from Baskin Robbins.
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297 Q: There's a new warning tonight about one of the world's most widely used
298 painkillers, acetaminophen. It's sold mostly under the brand name of Tylenol.
299 The new study shows that overuse or prolonged use can be hazardous to your
300 health. NBC science correspondent, (Robert Biselm).
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302 Q3: Heavy use of Tylenol and other brands of the painkiller, acetaminophen
303 doubles the risk of kidney failure, according to the study from Johns Hopkins.
304 The researchers say it need not concern people who take the drugs for an
305 occasional headache or cold. The danger, they say, is for those who take at
306 least one pill every day, year after year.
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308 Man: The message I would say is if you're using any of these...
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310 ((0:10:00)).
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312 Man: ...drugs, have a good reason for using it. And then we shouldn't just use these
313 drugs for a quick fix for, uh, every ill that, uh, befalls us.
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315 Q3: Americans take a lot of acetaminophen. This year Tylenol, the most popular

brand, will sell 7 billion doses to 55 million American adults. The manufacturers of Tylenol urged caution in reacting to this latest study.

Man: This report does nothing to alter the remarkable safety profile of Tylenol, and should not discourage anyone from using it.

Q3: The Johns Hopkins researchers estimate that 8% to 10% of the 50,000 new cases of kidney failure a year, are caused by heavy acetaminophen use. Tylenol bottles already carry a warning, saying people should not take the drug for long periods. Public health officials say consumers should know that many drugs sold over the counter have side effects, especially if they're taken for a long time. (Robert Biselm), NBC News, San Francisco.

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Q: There is encouraging news tonight on the commuter airline front. NBC News has learned that those ATR aircraft, grounded during icy weather, could be flying again in the northern part of the country before very long. NBC's (Robert Hagar) has more from Washington.

Q4: The government's considering a quick fix for flying ATR turbo props in icing conditions. New procedures, which could be announced as soon as next week, or shortly after the 1st of the year. The word comes as six days of intense flight tests wrapped up today at Edward's Air Force Base in California. Data is still being analyzed, but initial reports are no major problems were observed. A big Air Force tanker, filled with water and equipped with a nozzle to spray it, flew three hours each day in freezing conditions at high altitude. The ATR followed just 100 feet behind, as the tanker sprayed a nine-foot-wide plume of freezing water on one wing at a time. A Leer jet flew alongside to watch and photograph. The buildup of ice was observed, as well as performance of the plane's de-icing system and the handling...

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Q4: ...of the plane. The government characterized first results as "encouraging." The sticking point now is exactly what fix to apply to the problem. There are new products which can be put on the wings to retard icing in flight, and there are cockpit systems to detect a sudden worsening of conditions into which the plane is flying. So long as a reliable fix can be found, the economic incentive to fly the planes again in the north is great. Grounding them has caused 14,000 passengers a day to seek alternate transportation, and cost the airlines millions. (Robert Hagar), NBC News, Washington.

Q: Another consumer warning tonight concerning a hair relaxer, which is called Rio. It's advertised as being all natural, but it's results have been anything but

361 that. The Food and Drug Administration has received more than 100
362 complaints about this product, scalp burning, severe hair loss, hair turning
363 green even. Rio's manufacturer now has agreed to stop selling it. Back in New
364 York tonight, the nation's biggest city took a big step day - today toward
365 going smoke-free. The City...
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367 ((0:13:00)).
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369 Q: ...Council voted to ban smoking in almost all public places. This measure now
370 goes to the Mayor, who is expected to approve it. And on Wall Street today,
371 the Dow was up sharply in very heavy trading. The NASDAQ index was also
372 up more than eight points. Last night here we reported on a sex discrimination
373 lawsuit against Home Depot. Well, tonight that company said it is conducting
374 an internal investigation into those charges, and it stands by its commitment to
375 diversity in the workplace. Billions for some American cities. We'll tell you
376 which ones and why in a moment.
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378 Ad: Today, (Dave Ryan) will understand the benefits of a little extra protection.
379 Today, (Freddy Blackwell) will come to appreciate a shatter-resistant
380 shampoo bottle. Today, for the first time in years, (Sheila Connors)' grandpa
381 will be able to walk with less pain. Today will be a better day...
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383 ((0:14:00)).
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385 Ad: ...for a lot of people, simply because of a material we call plastic.
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387 Man: Come on, (Larry), let's make this guy's morning. Excuse me, sir. What do you
388 notice about this Raisin Nut Bran?
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390 Man: It doesn't have any raisins.
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392 Man: Look again. You're looking for plain raisins, but Raisin Nut Bran has covered
393 raisins.
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395 Man: It's stocked.
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397 Man: Yeah.
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399 Man: Plump.
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401 Man: And?
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403 Man: Sweet. I love them.
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405 Man: That's what I said. Come on, (Larry).

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407 Ad: Have you discovered covered raisins?
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409 Man: That boy is crazy.
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411 Man: Crazy for Raisin Nut Bran, sir.
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413 Ad: How much closer are our precision heads, our innovative lift and cut system?
414 How much better is the latest Norelco? In a word, we've never brought you
415 closer. The Norelco razor, our closest shave ever.
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417 Ad: It kills the germs that cause bad breath. It fights plaque, and the gum infection
418 gingivitis.
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420 (Singing).
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422 ((0:15:00)).
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424 Ad: Get the new taste, new feeling, new sensation, new Fresh Burst Listerine.
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426 Q: It is no exaggeration that many cities across the country are dreading the
427 budget cuts that both sides in Washington now are promising. Today,
428 however, President Clinton delivered a carrot to go with his stick, $2.3 billion
429 in grants and tax breaks for 106 communities, to use in so-called
430 "empowerment zones." The idea here is to let the communities create jobs and
431 boost their own economy, independent of Washington. The big winners are
432 six urban areas getting $100 million each. Rural areas and smaller cities also
433 are included. What's it mean for them? Well, NBC (Jim Cummins) tonight is
434 in Waco, Texas.
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436 Q5: In Antonio and in Waco. Today in Waco, Texas, City leaders celebrated the
437 news. Washington will try to rescue one of their neighborhoods with a $3
438 million grant.
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440 Man: The real solution is re-investment...
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442 ((0:16:00)).
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444 Man: ...and creating opportunity and hope, and that's what this is all about, and
445 that's why we're all excited.
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447 Q5: All of that in this neighborhood, where half the families live below the
448 poverty line, half the kids don't finish high school, and the unemployment rate
449 is 15%, three times the rate for the rest of the county.
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Man: They dad gum sure need jobs, which I - I draw Social Security and retirement. But I don't need nothing, but these people walking around here need some jobs.

Q5: It will be called an empowerment zone, and the objectives here are to develop 3000 new jobs, 75 new businesses, and over 1000 training opportunities in the next ten years. The Federal money will be used to attract private industry. Waco has one of the highest crime rates in Texas for cities its size, and much of that crime is in this neighborhood. In fact, the city has even posted signs declaring this a high drug activity area. (Juan Cruz), who has owned a store on this corner for the past 30 years, is hoping the Federal fund will help drive the bad guys out.

Man: A lot of empty, uh, lots around here that maybe they could...

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Man: ...uh, put some more, um, you know, apartments or something like that. Maybe that'll run, you know, and bring some good people into the neighborhood.

Q5: It's unusual for a city the size of Waco, 103,000, to get this kind of Federal grant. One city official said that makes Waco a laboratory for change. The first experiments in this laboratory are expected to begin shortly after the 1st of the year. (Jim Cummins), NBC News, Waco, Texas.

Q: There was an unfortunate sign of the times in San Francisco today. The annual holiday food giveaway at Glide Memorial Church, the line stretched seven blocks before the giveaway had even started. One church official said he'd never seen anything like this year's turnout. 12,500 people each received a bag of groceries. In other news tonight, the John F. Kennedy Library released more audio tapes of White House meetings during the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis. They show the pressure that President Kennedy was under to take...

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Q: ...military action. At one point the then Senate Arms Services Chairman, (Richard Russell), tells Kennedy that Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev was rattling his missiles, and that the United States should invade Cuba. The man who was Kennedy's Secretary of State at the time, Dean Rusk, died today at his home in Georgia. The soft-spoken southerner was an unapologetic defender of Cold War hard lines.

Ad: Two key appointees to President-elect Kennedy's cabinet meet in New York, Secretary of State Dean Rusk.

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497 Q: It was 1961. The Berlin Wall was going up. Containing communism was the
498 center of US foreign policy. Rusk would guide that policy for eight years
499 under Presidents Kennedy and Johnson. There was a colossal failure at the
500 Bay of Pigs. The CIA planned to take over Cuba with an exile army. Years
501 later, Rusk called that a mistake.
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503 A: This offensive military capability...
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505 Q: He was in the middle of the Cuban Missile Crisis, declaring after Khrushchev
506 removed the missiles...
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508 ((0:19:00)).
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510 Q: ..."The other fellow just blinked." Then, Vietnam. As the country got more
511 deeply involved, Rusk became one of the most outspoken defenders of the
512 war, and one of the biggest villains to war protestors. Later, he admitted two
513 mistakes.
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515 A: First I underestimated the tenacity of the North Vietnamese. Compared to
516 their population they took frightful casualties, and yet stayed with it. And I
517 overestimated the patience of the American people.
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519 Q: After leaving government, he became a college professor in Georgia. He once
520 said all he missed in Washington were his friends. When we come back in a
521 moment, Pope John infomercials, find out why you're not alone.
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523 Ad: Forget the way you've been brushing your teeth, then remember Interplak, the
524 power plaque remover from Bausch and Lomb.
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526 ((0:20:00)).
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528 Ad: Interplak has twisting bristles that are clinically proven to clean better than
529 manual brushing, reaching deep between teeth and under the gums to help
530 prevent gum disease, and leave your teeth more than 90% plaque-free. Try
531 Interplak. If ever a new product deserved a drum roll, this is it.
532
533 Ad: Is someone special expecting something special from you? Don't disappoint
534 them. Send it Express Mail. Overnight delivery, starting at just $9.95. Even on
535 Christmas Day. Express Mail from your Post Office.
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537 Ad: This advanced technology helps to diagnose arthritis. But to effectively
538 relieve the minor pain of arthritis, use this.
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542 Ad: Advil. Advil contains the number 1 doctor-prescribed pain reliever in its class,
543 in non-prescription strength. Advil works directly at the site of arthritis pain,
544 and nothing's been proven to last longer. Advil, advanced medicine for pain.
545 Advil works directly at the site of arthritis pain, and nothing's been proven to
546 last longer. Advil, advanced medicine for pain. And now, relief is even closer
547 at hand, with a new Advil easy open cap.
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549 Ad: Hi, I'm from Radio Shack, can we talk?
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551 Man: I guess.
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553 Ad: Your wife wants to know what you want for Christmas.
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555 Man: She does?
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557 Ad: Yeah. So when she asks this, we can tell her something like this, or something
558 like this personal color TV from Radio Shack.
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560 Man: Oh, gee, I don't know.
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562 Man: Come on, (Frank), pick.
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564 Ad: It's okay now, take your time.
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566 Man: All right, uh, let me (unintelligible) the TV.
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568 Man: Good one, (Frank).
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570 Ad: Gifts men want at Radio Shack. You've got questions, we've got answers.
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572 Man: This big commuter airline claims they follow every safety regulation, but they
573 don't tell you what some of their pilots say.
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575 Man: Safety has to be number 1, and it's not.
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577 Man: Dateline, tonight.
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579 ((0:22:00)).
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581 Q: Turn on the television these days, and it's hard to tell which are the programs,
582 which are the commercials. Welcome to the multi-billion-dollar world of the
583 30-minute infomercial, revolutionizing the way we shop, raising some
584 interesting questions as well. Here's NBC's (George Lewis).
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586 Q6: Oh, no, just look at that sticky mess. Oh, yes, it's the invasion of the
587 infomercials. You've got your smart mop and your contour pillow, your topsy
588 tail, your twisting brush, and your primo pasta machine.
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590 Woman: Stop the insanity.
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592 Q6: Some big time companies don't think there's anything at all insane about
593 infomercials. Electronic retailing, as the insiders call it, has become a $4
594 billion a year business. Kodak, Olympus Camera, and a photo processing
595 chain got into infomercials early with the World of Photography, which ran on
596 150 stations nationwide. (Lois Wright-Morton) of Cornell University, is the
597 author of a TV...
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599 ((0:23:00)).
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601 Q6: ...shopping consumer fact sheet.
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603 A1: We're taken in by the entertainment value, and then it becomes very easy to
604 switch over and say, "Oh, gee, I really need that. That's really, um, something
605 that I could use."
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607 Man: I think a lot of the national advertisers have finally, uh, realized that a half-
608 hour infomercial is a powerful form of communication to potential consumers.
609 You can give them a lot more information in 30 minutes than you can in 30
610 seconds.
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612 Q6: And not just information about products. Sometimes consumers are looking to
613 improve themselves. (Barbara De Angelis), who this year sold $24 million
614 worth of books and tapes about relationships, was a big winner at the most
615 recent infomercial convention. She got three NEMA's, the infomercial
616 equivalent of the Oscar.
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618 A2: You know, infomercials were kind of laughed at by legitimate business years
619 ago. When they found how much money could be made, when they saw that
620 little fly-by-night companies from the Midwest were making $50, $100
621 million a year...
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623 ((0:24:00)).
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625 A2: ...on a little tiny infomercial, I think their eyes opened a little bit.
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627 Q6: Infomercial producers concede their industry still has a bit of a sleazy image.
628 That wasn't helped much earlier this month when the reading program,
629 Hooked on Phonics, an avid user of infomercials, was cited by the Federal
630 government for deceptive advertising practices.

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632 A3: And I usually do that like two or three times a week.
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634 Q6: (Carmen Cada) of Los Angeles, confesses she's hooked on infomercials. So
635 far she's bought about $2000 worth of the gadgets and services they advertise
636 on TV.
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638 A3: I bought a juice machine. I bought, um, self improvement tapes. I've bought
639 an exercise tape. I bought an ab isolator, which is like an exercise machine.
640 Um, of course my handy dandy mop.
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642 Q6: (Carmen) is one of the estimated 10 million Americans who are TV shoppers.
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644 A3: The one thing about infomercials is you don't have to get dressed, you don't
645 have to go to the mall, you don't have to find a parking space. You just dial 1-
646 800.
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648 ((0:25:00)).
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650 Q6: They are changing the face of advertising in this country, making it easier than
651 ever for shoppers to give in to their impulses, but the old warning, "Let the
652 buyer beware" applies more than ever in the age of the infomercial. (George
653 Lewis), NBC News, Los Angeles.
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655 Q: More money tonight and two new records announced today. The Federal
656 Election Commission said that with a total of $589,500,000 spent by all the
657 candidates, the 1994 Congressional campaign was the most expensive ever.
658 And the Postal Service said, as predicted, this past Monday was the heaviest
659 mail handling day on record. More than a quarter billion letters and packages
660 were postmarked. Here's a picture just south of Mexico City today. Mt.
661 Potocatepetl, in eruption. Smoke and ash dusting nearby villages, but so far no
662 reports of injuries. Now you know why they call it simply Mt. Poto.
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664 ((0:26:00)).
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666 Q: When we come back in a moment, a natural resource or just a killer? The
667 different faces of the wolf.
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669 Ad: Here's another reason to switch from freeze dried to dark rich Folger's
670 crystals. Folger's looks and smells more like ground roast coffee. Folger's
671 crystals. Smell the difference in an instant. Yet another reason to switch from
672 freeze dried to dark rich Folger's crystals. Folger's looks and smells more like
673 ground roast, but the freeze dried costs about a dollar more. Folger's crystals.
674 Pocket the difference in an instant.
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Woman: It wouldn't be the holidays without pie, so today we're going to make an easy pie crust from scratch.

Ad: Easy? We'll show 'em easy.

Woman: First gather all your ingredients. Then your mix mega bowl.

Ad: Or just unfold, fill, and then bake.

Ad: For a pie crust that's tender, flaky, and tastes like you made it from scratch, follow...

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Ad: ...this simple recipe, Pillsbury Refrigerated Pie Crust.

Ad: Mmm, it's as easy as you know what.

Man: I like to treat people the way I like to be treated myself. If you don't like waiting for a service advisor to come wait on you, if you don't like waiting on the phone for an answer, or a charge on your bill because nobody told you about it - treat the customers like they were you out there, standing on the service (unintelligible). Poor quality care is standard. Make it easier on a customer in here by taking care of them and doing it right. Get your car in here and I'll have to show you.

Ad: Quality care people, quality care standards, at your Ford and Lincoln Mercury dealer.

Ad: Finally, great microwave popcorn. Presto Power Pop microwave multi-popper, pops very virtually every kernel. Pops with oil, pops without oil. Nothing pops like Power Pop.

Man: I would sign my name to that.

Ad: From Presto.

Ad: Red Lobster presents our lobster and shrimp feast, shrimp cocktail, a luscious lobster tail...

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Ad: ...lobster and shrimp over pasta, and golden friend shrimp, together for a short time at Red Lobster.

721 Ad: Are you tired? Who isn't? Get some tips on picking up a few extra winks in a
722 special health report on sleep. Wake up with Bryant and Katie, and see what a
723 difference makes tomorrow.
724
725 Q: One of the stories you'll be hearing a lot about next year is the wolf in the
726 west. That's the reintroduction of wolves in the Yellowstone National Park.
727 Ranchers in that area are livid, saying that the wolf is a threat to their way of
728 life. But as NBC's (Roger O'Neal) tells us tonight, in Minnesota, life with the
729 wolf goes on.
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731 Q7: On a frozen lake in Minnesota, a pack of timber wolves have some fun.
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733 Man: They're all kind of out feeling around now. There's at least five of them.
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735 Q7: The picture doesn't fit the image of the big bad wolf, a picture painted by the
736 ranchers in the west, opposed to the reintroduction of wolves.
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738 Man: Okay. They'll line out single file.
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740 Q7: In the northern third of Minnesota, where more than...
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742 ((0:29:00)).
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744 Q7: ...2000 wolves roam, there is general acceptance of the animal.
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746 Man: We work with hundreds of these animals up close, on the ground, and if
747 people have fears about wolves, uh, primarily based on ignorance...
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749 Q7: Like the west, the government tried to exterminate wolves in this part of the
750 country too. But here, with thousands of lakes and thick forest, the animals
751 managed to escape government bounty hunters, and their continued presence
752 in these north woods is the main reason why Minnesotans are so much more
753 tolerant of wolves today. But as wolf numbers have grown, so has the territory
754 they hunt in, and the problems they cause. Cows, sheep, and turkey losses are
755 up, although still less than 1% of all farm animals. And a program to
756 reimburse farmers for losses has in the last 14 years nearly quadrupled to
757 $32,000 last year.
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759 A4: Yeah, and they're hunters. They know how to kill.
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761 Q7: (Julian Broznowski) says he's lost 75 cows and calves to wolves.
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763 A4: Deer may be a favorite, but cows are a lot easier to catch in a fence.
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A4: And, you know, once they get a taste of it, they're gonna keep on.

Q7: But (Broznowski) doesn't want the wolf eliminated. He wants better control, and that's the other piece of the puzzle to public tolerance of the animal.

Man: The wolf has survived in Minnesota largely because we have been able to destroy the wolf when it has caused problems.

Q7: 800 wolves have been killed since 1977, but scientists admit now there are too many timber wolves in Minnesota's woods, and the delicate balance that exists between wolves and man could be in jeopardy if there isn't more control. (Roger O'Neal), NBC News, Ely, Minnesota.

Q: That's the Nightly News for Wednesday. Tonight on Dateline NBC, the story of a mother dying of AIDS, trying to find a family for her children, and the heartwarming response. I'm Tom Brokaw. I'll see you back here tomorrow night.

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Ad: NBC News, now more than ever.

Q8: I'm (Dave Jenks). (Michelle Lee) has the evening off. Straight ahead on the 6 O'clock News, fire has destroyed the Phoenix building in downtown Duluth. We'll have a live report. A southern Minnesota boy was killed, and his two brothers are in critical condition after being struck by a semi while waiting for a school bus, and we'll take you live to Bay Front Park for the Mayor's annual holiday party. Hey, (unintelligible) just 30 seconds away from today's top stories on the 6 O'clock News.

Ad: What are the best dressed men in the northland wearing this year? Carhartt from Northwest Outlet. Carhartt has the best quality work and hunting wear with a variety of linings. Carhartt is known for superior construction with triple stitching, and they're made in the USA. For the complete line of rugged men's fashion wear, Carhartt has jackets and pants in a selection of sizes and colors, shirts that come in many fashionable styles, and the largest selection of sweatshirts...

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Ad: ...and sweatpants that are more comfortable than any other brand. Carhartt at Northwest Outlet, where there's always a full selection in stock. 1814 Belknap, Superior. Park free across the street.

811 Ad: You're watching KBJR. This is the Channel 6, 6 O'clock News, your number
812 1 choice for news at 6:00 pm.
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814 Q8: An early morning fire in Duluth's downtown destroys businesses, and dreams
815 for a profitable Christmas for some store owners. Good evening, one of the
816 largest fires to hit Duluth's downtown business district - district has severely
817 damaged or destroyed several stores. More than 20 firefighters were called to
818 the Brass - the Phoenix building at the corner of 4th Avenue West and
819 Superior Street earlier this morning. Smoke and flames shot out of the two-
820 story building. Traffic was roped off for several blocks. Inside, one firefighter
821 was shot in the face with a blast of water from one of the hoses. He has since
822 been treated and released from St. Luke's Hospital.
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826 Q8: Smoke still fills the downtown area. Crews are now cleaning up the rubble
827 that was once the Phoenix building. (Molly McMillan) is at the scene, and she
828 joins us now with more details, (Molly)?
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830 Q9: Well, (David), the Phoenix building houses several different businesses in the
831 downtown business district. You can see Sylvester's Bargain Emporium here,
832 there isn't much left but smoke stains on the roof, broken glass and burnt
833 merchandise. The fire started in the back corner of the building near the alley
834 on that side. It took hours for fire crews to get the fire under control. They
835 have since left the scene, uh, but now the construction crews are just kind of
836 cleaning it up. Meanwhile, business owners have been in and out of their
837 stores, surveying the damage. Damage they say is so severe, their dreams of a
838 holiday booming business literally went up in smoke today.
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840 Woman: You know, now we're gonna lose everything, you know, jobs. It's - it hits you
841 right in the heart. You don't know what to do.
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843 Q9: (Janet Havdol) was on her way to work at 5:00 this morning, when a police
844 officer stopped her and told her she...
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848 Q9: ...couldn't park anywhere near downtown. That's when she learned the
849 Phoenix building was on fire, just a few stores away from where she worked.
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851 A5: I was coming to work, and they wouldn't let me on Superior Street, not even
852 park. And I - so I watched the fire for awhile. Then I called my boss, and he
853 said he'd be down shortly. And then within 45 minutes later, the flames were
854 just giant.
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Q9: As fire crews battled the blaze, onlookers stood watching on the sidewalk, and store owners peered through smoke-covered windows, wondering what would happen to all of those years they had worked so hard to make successful.

A5: Real frustrating. This is the busiest week, and I called my boss and he showed up - we couldn't do anything. You know, you're just hoping the fire wouldn't spread.

Q9: Now, (David) a lot of people have come downtown here to purchase their gifts for Christmas, and what we're hearing is that some of those things have been salvageable. A temporary store has been set up at...

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Q9: ...104 West Superior Street. Some business owners were able to keep some of those items, and have set up that store so that people can come pick those things up. Reporting live from downtown Duluth, I'm (Molly McMillan), back to you.

Q8: (Molly), is the building structurally intact? Uh, can you get an idea from looking at it if it might be able to be, uh, saved and the stores go back in there at some point?

Q9: Well, earlier in the day, before even more of this damage had been done, fire officials had said it was a total loss, and, uh, that's - that's what we were - we were hearing earlier this morning. Uh, there's also - the latest word is that they will not know for many months what the cause of this fire was because the damage was so severe. So the answer to your question I guess is it is a total loss, from what we're hearing on this end. Back to you.

Q8: (Molly), are they looking into the possibility of arson on this?

Q9: Well, arson is - is usually never ruled out this early when there is a fire such as this one. Um, but - but like I said, the damage is so severe they say it will take months before they know, but we'll be keeping, uh, a word on that, uh, in touch with the fire officials on this story, and we'll have that information as soon as we have it.

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Q9: Back to you.

Q8: Thank you, (Molly McMillan), live into downtown. Now, a wait for a school bus turned tragic for a southern Minnesota family this morning. A semi truck went out of control on an icy highway, striking three brothers waiting for the

bus near Fairfax. Three-year-old (Steven Ziegler) was killed, his brothers, 6-year-old (David) and 4-year-old (Nathan) are listed in critical condition. The State Patrol says the truck swerved to avoid striking the bus and hitting the child- and hit the children. A State Department of Public Safety Spokesperson says fog played a major role in the accident, which happened shortly after 9:00, and of course an investigation is continuing there. The St. Louis County Sheriff's Office in Hibbing says a man's body was found about a mile from where his car was found in a ditch. The body of the 46-year-old man was found late last night, just south of Buell. The accident - the incident is under investigation, and the name of the victim is being withheld pending notification of relatives. The University of Minnesota Duluth is looking at ways to improve retention...

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Q8: ...in graduation rates. One possible move is raising admission standards. That would follow the lead of the University's Twin Cities campus, which is raising its standards. However, UMD Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, (Bruce Gilseth) said the Duluth campus has a good solid student body, and has no intention of trying to become an exclusive institution. UMD currently admits all applicants in the top 35% of their high school classes. Now if you're not feeling any Christmas spirit yet, we've got a way to pick up your spirits. It's an old fashioned Christmas party and sing along in Bay Front Park. (Bill Lerner)'s among the revelers as the party's getting going right now. (Bill)'s joining - is joining us live. (Bill), what's it look like?

Q10: Well, (Dave), uh, we just started with a little Jingle Bells, that's the first song of the night. This party's gonna go for another couple of hours so, uh, hopefully there'll be many more, uh, Christmas carols. As you can see behind us, that, uh, pile of old Christmas trees and doors and pallets, it's now, uh, going up in, uh, smoke and flames and, uh, providing a great source of need on this cold night. We've got the St. Edwards Episcopal...

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Q10: ...Choir over here, singing for us. Why don't we take a listen to them for a se- just a second here.

(Singing).

Q10: Santa's joining us now.

(Singing).

Q10: (David), the party runs, uh, from 6 'til 8 o'clock tonight. There's still plenty of

time to get out here. There's gonna be hot chocolate and a warming bus, and of course a big warm bonfire, so if you want to get in the Christmas, uh, spirit tonight in Duluth, this is the place to be. Back to you.

Q8: Hey, (Bill), (George) said it was gonna be a warm evening out there, but it sounds kind of windy. What's the, uh, weather like?

Q10: It's windy. It's really not that cold out here. It's a little windy, and with this bonfire, this is really a warm fire, and with the...

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Q10: ...warming bus I don't think cold is really gonna be that big of a problem.

Q8: All right, (Bill Lerner), enjoy yourself, and don't get too close to the flames. There's more to come on the 6 O'clock News. We'll have that forecast from the KBJR Weather Center, and then a little bit later, profiles of success. We'll take you to a Superior business that's growing strong, when the 6 O'clock News continues.

Man: You're watching the number 1 news at 6 o'clock, KBJR, with (Michelle Lee), (Dave Jenks), (Tom Hanson), Meteorologist (George Kessler), and your Channel 6 News team.

Ad: Automotive experts praised our cab forward innovation, smiled on our continued success, and followed us to a new plateau, making Chrysler Cirrus Motor Trend's Car of the Year. Your Chrysler Plymouth dealer now presents the Car of the Year celebration. For a limited time, get 3.9% financing or $500 cash back on Plymouth Voyager, and...

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Ad: ...great lease rates on Plymouth Grand Voyager and Chrysler Town and Country, now, during the Car of the Year celebration. See your Chrysler Plymouth dealer today.

Ad: Surprise someone you love with a wonderful gift from Target. Like Chef Mate cookware, with DuPont Silverstone non-stick coating. On sale this week at Target. The time for magic.

Ad: Buy it here. Oh, you want it in stock? Avoid the cell phone runaround. Enjoy one-stop shopping at Cellular One on Central Entrance in Duluth. If you're thinking of getting a cell phone, now is the time, during Cellular One's give and receive holiday special. Buy a Motorola mobile, tote, or H plus cellular phone, and get a gift certificate worth...

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Ad: ...$50 to use at these local retailers. So visit the knowledgeable sales and service staff at the only locally run cellular company in the northland, Cellular One.

Man: What are the first questions to pop into your mind the morning after a big storm?

Woman: How am I going to get to work? Do the kids have school? How cold is it? Is my car even going to start?

Man: Turn to News 6 Sunrise each weekday morning at 6:30 for all the answers. Meteorologist (John Jetta) will keep you up to date on current road conditions, school closings, and wind chill warnings. Certified meteorologist (John Jetta) and News Six Sunrise, your source for complete, accurate weather information each weekday morning, only on KBJR Channel 6. KBJR's (George Kessler) is a certified meteorologist, and can also be heard weekdays on FM 105, WABC, and talk radio 56 WEDC.

Q11: A tale of two weather days around the region. Some folks called in, said "Gorgeous day, couldn't believe it. All that sunshine is just...

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Q11: ...out of control." (Unintelligible) 32 degrees, gorgeous sunshine, temperature there pushing 40 degrees today, but some of the other spots, you didn't see the sun, in fact you couldn't really see more than a mile in front of you, especially in the Twin Ports area, very thick fog in this region. (Lenore Johnson), just outside of Du Harbor, she said that's very important. She's up and over the hill, 33 degrees. She was fine this morning, but once she got down by the water, a lot of fog there. (Al Ringer), 29 in Brinson, also very sunny day for him. (Bob Sanders) in Palo, lots of sunshine, a little fog this morning, 32 right now. And at Iron River there, it's 38 degrees. I tell you, (Merv Lindolav) is someone who really gets into the Christmas spirit, he's enjoying this weather, and most of the weather watchers commented that if I can keep this up, they're gonna give me some sort of little gold star to carry around for myself. They like this warm weather. 33 degrees, (Danny Stever) in Montreal. There are a few though, who would like some of the cooler stuff so they can go out snowmobiling. (Jan Favriflood) with 32 degrees, (John Howland), Hackensack, said it's gorgeous, 34 degrees. They were up into the 40's today. Here is how we did in the Twin Forks - 33 degrees, well, we weren't so...

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Q11: ...gorgeous. Well, I can't say that because the fog fanciers will write in. It was gorgeous for people who really enjoy fog. For the rest of the world, well, it wasn't so nice. 33 for a high, low of 25. Skies currently foggy. Winds out of the southwest at 15. Humidity 92%. The dew point is 31 and the barometer is 30.15 and steady. Well, today's the winter solstice, everyone. Only eight hours and 32 minutes of sunshine today in spots where the sun made it out. Winter officially begins just a little over two hours from now at 8:32 pm. To compare things in your mind, almost 16 hours of sunshine on the summer solstice - summer solstice on June 22nd, so big difference, we have almost half the sunshine, but there's another way of looking at this. Now we've had the least sunshine. It'll begin to increase all the way into summertime. But it takes awhile for the atmosphere to catch up with that. Now a cold front to our north, and I do emphasize the word little. That's gonna duck on into the region tonight, and then dip on out the end of the week. This is just going to be a reprieve from the really mild conditions. It's not going to change our overall forecast very much at all.

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Q11: The reason why this front could even come in is that stubborn old storm system, which is cut off from the jet stream flow, just wobbling around, just like a gyroscope from when you were a kid. Well, this one's finally gyrating off toward Georgia, and eventually will cause some trouble along the east coast. But now that that's out of the way, makes room for this cold front to dip on down. Here are the clouds. They're not going to be thick, and they aren't going to produce too much in the way of precipitation, although (Gwen Lebeck) in Ft. Wayne says some light drizzle is falling. So areas in northwestern Wisconsin, you might want to take care. Colder spots staying below freezing. That will become freezing drizzle, so we don't want anything rotten to happen right before Christmas, so please take it easy tonight. The main range storm, occurring southern Missouri, on down to Mississippi and Alabama, and a really big one getting itself wound up here, along the eastern coast of the country. It's gonna be far enough offshore I don't think they're gonna have any snow for Christmas weekend. That's not that uncommon, they don't often see the white Christmases there. Thursday, a little bubble of high pressure builds a troth of low pressure out in the Rockies. No snowflakes at all. Our temperatures will improve...

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Q11: ...because the air behind the front is a little bit drier, so what I'm expecting to see is that mixed up with our current system, so the fog will burn off sometime during the morning. Christmas outlook, if you have any travel plans anywhere in the Midwest, absolutely smooth sailing, no concerns whatsoever.

East coast, it will be a little stormy. I don't think snow will be a problem. West coast, unless you're going to the top of a mountain, you also won't have any concerns. So here's your forecast for the overnight hours. Patchy dense fog, and I do mean dense, breezy and almost warm. There's some part of me which was raised in a different area of the country that can't say 27 is warm, but the rest of you folks, you can just go ahead and say it. On Thursday morning, cloudiness, that will give way to some sunshine by afternoon. Temperatures threatening records, (David), this is just nuts. More early fog Friday, break spots by afternoon, and as we go into the holiday weekend, Christmas Day, 40 degrees, mostly cloudy skies, perhaps some changes in the wind though for Monday, and I believe our longer range computer models are indicating that we get back to normal sometime next week.

Q8: And maybe some snow, maybe some ice fishing weather?

Q11: Yeah, ice fishing...

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Q11: ...snowmobiling, downhill and cross country skiing.

Q8: But, you know, we'll take this warm weather, it's kind of nice.

Q11: What I've heard from...

Q8: For up here.

Q11: ...most people, they'll take it, yes.

Q8: Okay. Thanks, (George). Hey, by the way, we've got a couple of sizable Operation Rudolph gifts to mention. We've gotten $850 from Lake Superior Industries, and the Water and Gas employees from the City of Duluth have given us $376 from their office coffee fund. I guess they'll be filching coffee from home for a few weeks. And by the way, the students from Birchwood Elementary in Duluth donated...

Q11: Is filching a word?

Q8: ...have donated a couple of big boxes of presents now for Operation Rudolph. The kids in K through 6 came through big time for underprivileged youngsters around the northland. Way to go, kids. Now here's what's making headlines around the nation and the world tonight. North Korean officials are agreeing to return the remains of American helicopter pilot (David Hyleman). The United States is still negotiating the release of (Hyleman)'s crewmate, (Bobby Hall). Rising floodwaters are posing a big problem in Washington, those

1126 warm temperatures (George) has been talking about...
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1130 Q8: ...have melted snow as it fell earlier this month. And the White House has
1131 released tapes of meetings between President John F. Kennedy and the
1132 Congressional leaders during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Now up next on the 6
1133 O'clock News, we'll visit a Superior Trucking Company and find out its
1134 secret to success. Please stay with us.
1135
1136 Ad: She has your heart, what now? A gift she really wants. (La Pianado)'s luxury
1137 package, one glorious day, a potpourri of personal attention. A full hour of
1138 massage, a European facial, manicure, pedicure, haircut and style, makeup, a
1139 champagne lunch and gift pack, all for $159. The gift she really wants, (La
1140 Pianado)'s luxury package. Call for an appointment now.
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1142 Man: Tonight's the night of arresting television on NBC. First, thousands have
1143 vanished here. Now startling footage reveals...
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1145 ((0:48:00)).
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1147 Man: ...where they went. Richard Crenna unlocks the Bermuda Triangle's secrets.
1148 Then, follow an all new Dateline Wednesday. A violent crime, the suspect,
1149 her husband.
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1151 Man: You are going to be very sorry.
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1153 Man: But without evidence he could go free.
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1155 Man: Not guilty.
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1157 Woman: He shot her.
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1159 Man: Law & Order follows the Bermuda Triangle Secrets on an all new Dateline
1160 Wednesday, arresting television only on NBC.
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1162 Man: Educated, skilled, accomplished, an expert. Words that are used to describe a
1163 surgeon, or perhaps a chemist. Words that are also used to describe a
1164 meteorologist. An expensive education and broadcasting experience are
1165 required to become a certified meteorologist and receive an AMS seal, a seal
1166 awarded only to those who are studying all fields pertaining to weather. Get
1167 your weather straight from a scientist every day of the week. Meteorologist
1168 (George Kessler), weeknights only on KBJR Channel 6.
1169
1170 (Singing).

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Man: Weeknights on KBJR Channel 6.

Q8: Well, in an effort to increase the amount of good news to report, Channel 6 News is beginning a new series tonight. "Profiles of Success" features northland businesses deserving of attention. Tonight, (Ted Rolands) tells us about a company in Superior that in four years has gone from one employee to 34.

A6: Uh, four years ago I was - I was out of work. I guess the mousetrap was invented because of a necessity, I needed a job. So, uh, I figured I would try to get into something that I knew something about, I was trucking. And I started with one truck.

Q12: (Don Berkholm) and his one...

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Q12: ...truck has in four short years become Northway Carriers, 34 employees, and 15 trucks. The company transports goods across the northland from International Falls to St. Paul. (Don) credits Northway's success to the company's philosophy of service first, and an upbeat atmosphere in the workplace. Northway employees credit (Don).

Man: A good attitude comes down from the top. Um, (Don) - (Don) doesn't reprimand people, he helps people. Um, he, uh, he's always got a good attitude.

Q12: It can be said with some certainty that (Don) is truly loved by his employees, especially this one.

A6: A lot of people say you can never work in a business with your wife, and we've been able to do it, every day working together, at home, and it's worked out real, real good.

Q12: Besides his wife, (Pat), (Don)'s workforce also includes his son and daughter, which helps to create what they call...

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Q12: ...a family atmosphere. After being in three different locations, the Northway family has a new home, the old Meeham Dock in Superior, a city that has proven to be a good location for the company. And with a quarterly payroll of

1216 over $200,000, Northway is good for Superior as well, in fact, with their new
1217 home, the company is planning on expanding even more. Expansion plans
1218 include the addition of a diesel repair shop, and other ideas that (Don) says
1219 will most likely add five to ten more employees to the company in 1995. As
1220 for 1994...
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1222 A6: It's - it's gonna be a tremendous holiday.
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1224 Q12: I'm (Ted Rolands) with a northland profile of success.
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1226 Q8: Good story. Up next in sports, another big prep hockey doubleheader at the
1227 deck this evening, plus the Bucks are on the road again tonight, and they're
1228 looking for the big dog to help them out in their 8th - help them end their 8-
1229 game losing streak. (Tom Hanson) with more after this.
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1231 ((0:52:00)).
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1233 Man: If something happens to your car, you carry insurance so that you can replace
1234 it. And if you should lose your house, you're well insured, so that you can
1235 rebuild. But what about your paycheck? If you're disabled due to illness or
1236 injury, unable to work, is your income insured? It can be with disability
1237 income insurance, through Federated Insurance, that is non-cancelable, with
1238 guaranteed rates locked in at your current age until retirement. Call Federated
1239 Agent (Brady Strand) today for a no-obligation quote.
1240
1241 Ad: On the next Coach.
1242
1243 Man: (Beth) is fat.
1244
1245 Woman: What?
1246
1247 Man: She is no bantam weight, let me tell you.
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1249 Ad: When (Hayden)'s ex-wife hits town...
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1251 Man: You look fantastic. Have you been sick?
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1253 Ad: (Christine) hits bottom.
1254
1255 Woman: If that is your idea of fat, what I am I, a bus?
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1257 Ad: It's (Christine)'s turn to squirm.
1258
1259 Woman: How does my hair look?
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Ad: On the next Coach.

Man: Keep the hood up.

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Ad: Tonight on KBJR, Channel 6. You're watching KBJR, Channel 6, greater Minnesota's best newscast. Closed captioning is sponsored by (Schneiderman)'s.

Ad: There are two secrets to getting a great value on a new truck. One is to ask a lot of questions. The other is knowing where to get the answers you like. Your Chevy dealers have them. They're making your money count on a 4-cyclinder Chevy S series with airbag, AM/FM stereo and more. Buy one today and get $500 cash back until January 3rd. Now this is a secret I shouldn't keep to myself. Make your money count. See your local Chevy dealer today. This event ends January 3rd.

Ad: (Kira) befriends a ship of alien refugees.

Man: They're experiencing their first taste of freedom.

Ad: They're on a desperate search for their birthright.

Woman: (Pan Thomas) is a legendary home of the (Skeins).

Ad: A search that leads to (Bajore).

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Woman: And (Tanya) is your friend.

Ad: Now, (Kira) is torn between their people and her own.

Man: (Bajore) simply cannot absorb 3 million refugees.

Man: I thought we were welcome here.

Ad: On the next episode of Star Trek, Deep Space 9. Saturday on KBJR, Channel 6.

Q8: It's another doubleheader prep hockey night at the deck this evening. Two teams tying for second place in the Lake Superior Conference are playing right now, Cloquet and Denfeld, and following that Edina and East will take the ice in a non-conference battle, the Greyhounds with a 5-2 win over

1306 Superior last night. We have an update now, Cloquet leads Denfeld 1-0 in the
1307 first, and North Shore rivals, Silver Bay and Two Harbors will meet tonight in
1308 Two Harbors. More final scores on all these games tonight on Top Line. In
1309 pro hockey, we are now 82 days into the NHL lockout, and today about 200
1310 players met in Toronto to discuss the union's strategy during the rest of the
1311 lockout, establishing...
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1313 Ad: World's youngest doctor.
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1315 Woman: Now comes the inevitable (unintelligible).
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1317 ((0:55:00)).
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1319 Man: Doogie Howser.
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1321 Ad: Assisting surgery at 17. How did he get so smart? Maybe a secret of his
1322 mother's. (Lisa Rudolph) with the story of a medical marvel.
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1324 Q13: A story you couldn't forget. A mother's desperate search to find a home for
1325 her children - before she ran out of time.
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1327 Girl: I don't think she's gonna go to heaven, now she's gonna go to heaven.
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1329 Q14: Tonight, the latest chapter in this little girl's journey. The unlikely heroes who
1330 finally came to her rescue.
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1332 Man: What are your kids asking Santa to bring this Christmas? Let us take a guess.
1333 And just how far will parents go to get their hands on the hottest toys around?
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1335 Woman: I've called five stores twice a day, I've visited three stores a day for the last
1336 month.
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1338 Man: Don't toy with these moms. They're on a mission. Plus, a hot night or a good
1339 deal?
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1341 ((0:56:00)).
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1343 Man: Everyone will be talking about our question of the week. Dateline with Jane
1344 Pauley and Stone Phillips, plus Tom Brokaw, Katie Couric, Bryant Gumbel,
1345 and Maria Shriver. From our studios in New York, here is Stone Phillips.
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1347 Q15: Good evening. If you're flying this holiday season, you may be avoiding
1348 commuter airlines, given all the recent problems, including two American
1349 Eagle crashes that killed 83 people. Tonight in Part 2 of our investigation,
1350 we're going to examine one commuter airline that has not been in the news,

1351 has not had any major disasters. As (David Bloom) reports, many people
1352 we've talked to say it could be just a matter of time.
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1354 Woman: Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. We are now boarding 7047, service
1355 into Reno, boarding at Door 4, all confirmed passengers please.
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1357 Man: We've been very lucky. There haven't been any accidents, yet.
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1359 ((0:57:00)).
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1361 Man: Instrument clearance (unintelligible) please.
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1363 Man: The safety has to be number 1, and it's not. The tactics that Mesa uses, uh,
1364 lower that level of safety.
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1366 Q15: These pilots are talking about a commuter airline that's so big, it's becoming
1367 almost impossible to avoid. It's called Mesa Airlines. But it flies under
1368 different names in different cities. You may have flown Mesa without even
1369 knowing it. In San Francisco, Seattle, Denver, and Los Angeles, Mesa is
1370 United Express. In Kansas City, Orlando, and Pittsburgh, Mesa is US Air
1371 Express. In Phoenix and Columbus, Mesa is America West Express. But in
1372 Albuquerque, Mesa is still Mesa, a small airline that grew explosively,
1373 purchasing six other commuter airlines in five years, and now flying in 31
1374 states.
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1376 Man: Mesa has maintained profitability throughout each of its expansion periods, a
1377 rare feat in the volatile airline industry.
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1379 ((0:58:00)).
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1381 Q15: Mesa carries 17,000 people every day. As Mesa says in this promotional
1382 videotape, profits are good, nearly $28 million in 1994. Dateline has spent six
1383 months speaking to dozens of current and former Mesa pilots and managers,
1384 sifting through thousands of pages of government documents. We discovered
1385 an airline the FAA says has put passengers on planes unfit to fly, an airline
1386 cited for lax maintenance on many occasions, whose employees say safety is
1387 often compromised for profits. A few Mesa pilots agreed to talk to us on
1388 camera, but because blowing the whistle could mean ending their careers, they
1389 requested anonymity. Is Mesa as concerned about passenger safety as it ought
1390 to be?
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1392 Man: Is Mesa concerned about passenger safety period, would be a better question.
1393 It's not on their list of priorities.
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1395 Q15: Well, if passenger safety's not the top priority, what is?

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Man: Corporate earnings.

A7: And people ask me what do you different, and I simply comment that I tend to run it as a business, rather than an airline.

Q15: Larry Risley built Mesa from a single airplane 14 years ago, into an industry giant.

A7: You have to look at the record on Mesa Airlines. Uh, Mesa Airlines could not have operated for 14 years without ever injuring a passenger in any of our scheduled operations, if we didn't operate a safe airline.

Q15: It's true Mesa has never lost a passenger, but three Mesa pilots have died in two crashes in the last five years. 30-year-old (Tad Fezell) was one of them. He trained other Mesa pilots and last year, while working all night, he and another pilot crashed into Mt. Wilson, Colorado, at 4:15 in the morning.

Man: The body located, oh...

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Man: ...100 feet from the plane.

Q15: According to the National Transportation Safety Board, Mesa reported that (Fezell) went on duty at 8:00 am and stayed on duty for 20 hours before his plane crashed. (Fezell)'s family is suing the airline, blaming his grueling schedule for the accident.

Man: He would come in and say, "God, I'm so tired," you know, "I got two hours or three hours sleep last night, 'cause I had ground school, flight school, then I had to be at the (check) rides."

Q15: In this letter to Dateline, Mesa contradicts the NTSB reports, saying (Fezell) reported for duty at 8:00 pm, not 8:00 am, and worked only eight hours before the crash, not 20. Mesa says if (Fezell) had filed a flight plan as the company requires, this accident would have been avoided, and that (Fezell) chose to fly back to Mesa headquarters, rather than stay overnight at a local hotel.

Man: To say that it was their choice, uh, really is beside the point. Uh, they had duties, they expected him to be there. If they wanted their jobs, they had to get into the airplane, and fly back down to Farmington. That's the reality right there.

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1442 Man: I'll put it this way, (Ted) did it for Mesa. He did the work for the Mesa, and
1443 Mesa did it.
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1445 Q15: And (Ron Fezell) says long hours were not unusual for his son. Once (Tad)
1446 sketched out his schedule on the back of an air sickness bag. 23 hours of work
1447 on just four hours of scattered sleep.
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1449 A8: The pressure from that company caused those men to conduct themselves in a
1450 manner that was contrary to their own best interest and safety.
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1452 Q15: Some pilots call that kind of pressure pilot pushing. They say it can take many
1453 forms, including forcing them to fly passengers on planes that need repair,
1454 rather than cancel a flight and lose revenue.
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1456 Man: It seems to be the Mesa attitude that, uh, if you can't do it, there's the door,
1457 we'll get somebody else that can. And if you don't think that airplane's safe,
1458 there's the door. We've got somebody else out there who will step in right
1459 behind you and fly the same airplane.
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1461 ((1:02:00)).
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1463 Q15: It's not just threats. This pilot says captains who ground their planes for safety
1464 reasons have been suspended or demoted.
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1466 Man: And then well, if you want your job back, this is the way we do things here.
1467 And that is our way, the Mesa way.
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1469 Q15: Meaning safety is not a top priority?
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1471 Man: Meaning just keep those airplanes moving.
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1473 A7: At Mesa Airlines, we're not gonna accept any compromise to safety. Our
1474 whole focus is on safety.
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1476 Q15: But this pilot, who works for the Mesa-owned airline Florida Gulf, says he's
1477 witnessed not only safety violations, but also a deliberate cover up.
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1479 Man: I've seen maintenance forms filled out fraudulently, so instead of going ahead
1480 and doing the training as it should have been done, they just filled in the
1481 squares in order to save the time and money. And I - I had asked...
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1483 ((1:03:00)).
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1485 Man: ...questions of maintenance personnel, and they said that's the way it's

1486 routinely done.
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1488 Man: There was a pilot, a Florida Gulf pilot, a Mesa subsidiary, who we spoke with,
1489 who claims that he personally witnessed, uh, documents being falsified.
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1491 A7: (David), that's - that's not true within the organization.
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1493 Q15: But Federal Aviation Administration documents reveal a dramatic example of
1494 falsified records. In 1992, a Mesa carrier installed unapproved ball bearings in
1495 many of its planes, bearings costing as little as $13.00, instead of the approved
1496 $125 bearings. And the FAA found Mesa falsified the repair records,
1497 repeatedly, for nine months. The cover up unraveled when a bearing failed in
1498 flight, the engine shut down, and the plane had to make an emergency landing.
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1500 Man: How do you explain that happening?
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1502 A7: (David), we - we did have a circumstance that we had an employee that, uh,
1503 failed to comply with company regulations...
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1505 ((1:04:00)).
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1507 A7: ...as well as FAA regulations. At the time that we found out about it, we fired
1508 that employee.
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1510 Q15: The FAA found it was three employees, including a top manager, who
1511 bragged the government was too stupid to find out. Mesa eventually fired all
1512 three men, and paid a $50,000 fine. But was this an isolated case? To answer
1513 that question, dateline analyzed government databases, and poured over
1514 thousands of pages of government documents. This FAA database, for an
1515 example, shows Mesa experienced more than 90 in-flight mechanical
1516 problems over a recent two-year period, problems the FAA says are frequently
1517 related to accidents. Thirteen times engines failed in flights, second only to the
1518 much larger commuter airline, American Eagle.
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1520 Man: I've had mechanics tell me stuff that's absolutely wrong, but they're under the
1521 pressure to keep the airplane moving too, and, uh, boom, the engine quits,
1522 surprise.
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1524 Q15: And last year, when the FAA...
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1526 ((1:05:00)).
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1528 Q15: ...examined potential safety problems of 38 commuters, they found two Mesa
1529 carriers were among the five worst.
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1531 A7: I can't, uh, confirm that comment. Uh, and I'm not ready at this - at this time
1532 to accept that. Uh, I have to say that's the first time I've ever heard a
1533 comment, uh, relative to that.
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1535 Q15: But FAA documents show West Air, Mesa's United Express operation out of
1536 San Francisco, had numerous citations, including poor maintenance
1537 procedures, and severe engine oil leaks. And Mesa Airlines, the flagship
1538 carrier based in New Mexico, was cited for among other things, oil leaks and
1539 problems with de-icing systems.
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1541 Man: If somebody crashed, they wouldn't want to get - but as long as everything
1542 keeps going status quo, that's fine. Until we have a crash, nothing will change.
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1544 Q15: And this year the FAA turned up more problems. Spot inspections of 25
1545 planes from the Mesa system found seven with safety problems, some
1546 potentially serious, like leaking...
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1548 ((1:06:00)).
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1550 Q15: ...fuel and leaking oil. In one instance, a dented landing gear door, and loose
1551 de-icing equipment on a plane that had just been cleared to fly by Mesa.
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1553 Man: The FAA inspects a plane that has just been certified as safe and top-notch by
1554 Mesa Airlines, and they find safety problems with it, and this is March of '94.
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1556 A7: (David), we work very closely with the FAA. We encourage their surveillance
1557 of the airline. It enhances the safety of the airline. The more people that can
1558 look at the product, the more likely the product is to be safe.
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1560 Q15: After our interview, Mesa sent us these letters taking issue with the FAA
1561 findings, claiming two of the planes were still in maintenance, and that the
1562 problems did not compromise air worthiness.
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1564 A7: There's never been an intent from the management of Mesa Airlines to
1565 operating any aircraft that's not totally safe for carrying the...
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1567 ((1:07:00)).
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1569 A7: ...passengers that we derive our business from.
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1571 Man: But at some point, isn't the airline itself responsible for the actions in so many
1572 different cases?
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1574 A7: Mesa Airlines accepts full responsibility for the safety of its aircraft, for the
1575 safety for its employees, and for the safety of the passengers that we carry.

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1577 Man: When you have an airline pushing on the mechanic, pushing on the pilot,
1578 pushing the system, um, you know, you're getting close to the point where
1579 something's gonna break, and unfortunately when something breaks at 20,000
1580 feet in the air, you may end up with a lot of dead people.
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1582 Q15: Congressman Peter DeFazio is on the House Aviation Subcommittee, which
1583 oversees commuter airline safety.
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1585 A9: The report the FAA has come up with about, uh, insufficiency of maintenance
1586 at Mesa, uh, is certainly a concern to me. And I think they'd be a concern to
1587 anybody who read those reports.
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1589 Q15: In fact, those reports prompted the FAA to consider fining Mesa...
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1591 ((1:08:00)).
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1593 Q15: ...$315,000. The agency would not comment on the pending fines against
1594 Mesa, but critics say the FAA is not tough enough about enforcing such fines
1595 against the commuter industry. And when Dateline analyzed this FAA
1596 database, we discover that over the past five years, the FAA reduced fines
1597 against all commuters by 88%.
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1599 Man: Our research shows that for every $100 that the FAA fines a commuter airline,
1600 they actually collect $12. That doesn't seem to have much teeth.
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1602 Man: I think the FAA does have teeth. We do surveillance. If we find something
1603 that, uh, that shows us that there isn't full compliance with the regulations and
1604 company procedures, we take action, and I really can't comment on - in terms
1605 of the fines that are suggested and what the final settlement is.
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1607 Man: They should just say, "You violated the rules, you flew planes that weren't
1608 safe, and here's some hefty fines...
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1610 ((1:09:00)).
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1612 Man: ...and you're gonna pay them."
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1614 Q15: And instead today, what's happened?
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1616 Man: Today it's, you know, "You violated the rules. You were bad. Uh, but we're
1617 just gonna give you this little fine, and don't do it again, please."
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1619 A7: I would insure our passengers that are traveling on our airplane, that we are
1620 dedicated to insuring, as we have always insured, that they're gonna be flying

1621 the safest possible airline that we can make.
1622
1623 Q15: What Mesa would say is the proof is in the pudding. We don't have fatal
1624 passenger crashes. And if it's as bad as you say, we would.
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1626 Man: Mesa hasn't been around that long.
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1628 Q15: You're saying they've been lucky?
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1630 Man: I'm saying that continued on this rate - at - at this, you know, the way of
1631 operation that it will happen. It's not a matter of if, it's a matter of when.
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1633 Q15: And just last month, another incident. A Mesa pilot in Omaha, Nebraska, was
1634 forced to abort takeoff on the runway when a propeller abruptly stopped
1635 turning.
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1637 ((1:10:00)).
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1639 Man: Coming up.
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1641 Man: Uh, I didn't go to the prom, I didn't, uh, stay up 'til 2 o'clock in the morning
1642 every other night in high school.
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1644 Man: But what this boy genius has done is unbelievable at his age.
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1646 Woman: We hated people like him because he's always ruined the curve.
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1648 Man: Tune in to find out how he did it. Also, a little girl looking for love, a mother
1649 racing against the clock.
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1651 Woman: So she knows that the mission now is to find another family?
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1653 Man: How her mother's wish was finally fulfilled.
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1655 Ad: Time out. It's the 16th Annual Toyota-thon, featuring the best all-star lineup
1656 of new Toyotas ever, and great savings, like the 4X2 DS extra cab. Save over
1657 $1700 on features you want. And the off road Toyota 4X4 has factory to
1658 dealer incentives. Want a 4Runner? Get big savings with an extra value
1659 package. But to make the catch of the...
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1661 ((1:11:00)).
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1663 Ad: ...year, come into your Toyota dealer now. New year, new trucks, great
1664 Toyota-thon deals.
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1666 Ad: To those special men who gave you their best all year long, give them our
1667 best. This holiday season give the new Gillette Sensor Excel, with micro-fins
1668 for the world's best shave. Gillette, the best a man can get.
1669
1670 Woman: This can't be champagne. I like it.
1671
1672 Ad: Sparkling, delicious. No champagne tastes like Delatorre.
1673
1674 Woman: Baby, I think it tastes better than champagne.
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1676 (Singing).
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1678 Ad: While you're counting down the days, you can count up the savings, at JC
1679 Penney. Save 20%, 30%, 40%, up to 50%. Save throughout the store on
1680 everything from shirts and sweaters to plush toys and towels. Save 20% to
1681 50% storewide, during the JC Penney holiday sale, but hurry, because your
1682 days...
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1684 ((1:12:00)).
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1686 Ad: ...to save are numbered.
1687
1688 (Singing).
1689
1690 Ad: Twas Thursday before Christmas and on NBC, a night of great comedy for all,
1691 must see TV. With Mad About You, then those chummy friends, and Lois
1692 Lane on Seinfeld, the fun never ends. More Mad About You, what a bonus,
1693 great stuff. A merry Thursday for all.
1694
1695 Man: All right, that's enough.
1696
1697 Ad: An NBC Christmas Family Special. For the first time ever, you'll be there as
1698 Santa gets ready to blast off.
1699
1700 Man: Start the countdown.
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1702 All: Ten, nine...
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1704 Ad: Countdown to Christmas, Saturday.
1705
1706 All: ...eight.
1707
1708 Man: Here now is Jane Pauley.
1709
1710 Q16: It's become a seasonal scramble, the desperate hunt to find the toys your kids

can't live without. It wasn't always like that.

Ad: Your Shirley Temple doll comes all dressed up.

Q16: Sure, the Shirley Temple doll was popular, but you didn't have to...

((1:13:00)).

Q16: ...stand in line for 12 hours to get one.

Ad: The most remarkable advance in erector sets...

Q16: You certainly didn't have to mortgage your home to buy an erector set. If you wanted to put smiles on the kids' faces Christmas morning, you could go shopping the night before. But all that changed with mega hits, like the Cabbage Patch doll. Riots nearly broke out when the homely creatures weren't available. Nintendo was another smash success. Now comes the latest Christmas craze. You won't believe the bizarre lengths parents will go to, to get their hands on Power Rangers.

Ad: You can tell a lot about a man by his shaver. The man who uses the Braun Flex Control appreciates good looks, has the...

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Ad: ...flexibility to adjust to any situation, and he's not afraid to get close. But the most revealing thing about a man who uses a Braun is how easy it is to spot him.

Woman: I believe this is yours.

Ad: Braun, the world's most recognized shave.

Ad: From Eureka, vacs so powerful they earn the Corvette name. Corvette hand vac with powered brush row. New Corvette wet/dry with high performance four horsepower motor, both great deals. The next generation, from Eureka.

Woman: Flight Number 7 now boarding.

Woman: (Michael), that's our flight, let's go.

Man: I can't get on the plane.

Woman: What's wrong?

1756 Man: I'm too stuffed up with this cold. I was taking medication for it, but I ran out.
1757
1758 Woman: Here. Try this.
1759
1760 Man: Actifed?
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1762 Woman: It's prescription strength.
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1764 Ad: For full prescription strength cold relief take fast-acting Actifed. Still the exact
1765 same full strength formula today as when it was once sold by prescription.
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1767 Woman: You okay?
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1769 Man: Yeah, thanks.
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1771 Ad: For full prescription strength cold relief, take fast-acting...
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1773 ((1:15:00)).
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1775 Ad: ...Actifed.
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1777 (Singing).
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1779 Ad: Incredible. Ice cream and cake creations, new from Baskin Robbins.
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1781 Ad: Want to make someone happy this holiday season? Give them a phone from
1782 Radio Shack. We have over 80 terrific phones. They'll admire the styles,
1783 appreciate features like big buttons, adore the convenience of an extra-long-
1784 range cordless, and though they won't love every single call they get...
1785
1786 Man: Congratulations. And now - you've just won a free trip...
1787
1788 Ad: ...they will love the phones. Radio Shack. You've got questions, we've got
1789 answers.
1790
1791 Man: Here again is Stone Phillips.
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1793 Q15: Well, there is simply no escaping it. At some point in your life, you will look
1794 around and come to that unsettling realization that all the...
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1796 ((1:16:00)).
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1798 Q15: ...hot movie stars, professional athletes, your colleagues, maybe even your
1799 boss, are younger than you are. Well, the subject of our next story is causing
1800 more than his share of angst in that department. (Lisa Rudolph) has the story

1801 of a young man whose exploits may make you 30-something-year-olds out
1802 there feel almost prehistoric.
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1804 Q14: A surgical team at work, successfully removing a 10-year-old boy's brain
1805 tumor. Among them, this medical student, who has the critical job of making
1806 sure the surgical wound stays clean.
1807
1808 A10: We expect it to be benign, but the definitive results will come up on the
1809 pathology on the, uh, actual examination of the tumor.
1810
1811 Q14: This young man who assists in operations, sees patients, and trains in fast-
1812 paced emergency rooms, can't vote or even legally buy a beer. When you
1813 graduate medical school, the kids from your kindergarten class will be just
1814 getting out of...
1815
1816 A10: High school.
1817
1818 Q14: And you are how old?
1819
1820 A10: I'm 17 now.
1821
1822 Q14: To the best of his knowledge, which is a lot, Bala Ambati will soon set an
1823 unlikely world record. Is that important?
1824
1825 A10: It's important for me, but more important than that, my record, uh, stands by
1826 itself, regardless of age.
1827
1828 Q14: What was the scariest moment ever faced?
1829
1830 A10: A stabbed woman came in. She was stabbed multiple times, um, in her left
1831 eye, (unintelligible) artery, and I had to hold the (unintelligible) artery for 45
1832 minutes.
1833
1834 Q14: You literally had somebody's life in your hands?
1835
1836 A10: Yeah.
1837
1838 Q14: At 17 years old?
1839
1840 A10: Uh, 16.
1841
1842 Q14: You were 16?
1843
1844 A10: Right.
1845

1846 Q14: A lot of people are gonna look at you and say it's one thing to be academically
1847 advanced, but there's an emotional maturity that also comes with being a
1848 doctor and having to deal with very difficult emotional situations. Are you
1849 able to do that?
1850
1851 A10: Dealing with death is difficult, whether you're a 17-year-old or a 70-year-old.
1852
1853 ((1:18:00)).
1854
1855 A10: Just because you've been on this planet longer doesn't give you any special
1856 talent or special knowledge that other people don't have.
1857
1858 Q14: While other kids his age spent their summer at the beach or hanging out in
1859 malls, Bala was learning neurosurgery and studying for his Medical Board.
1860
1861 A10: Staying up for 40 hours at a time, I can't say I've enjoyed that, but I had to do
1862 it.
1863
1864 Q14: It was at a very early age that Bala knew he wanted a career in medicine.
1865
1866 A10: When I was 4 years old, I was burned on both legs, and I was in the hospital
1867 for two or three months, and I had several surgeries. Um, looking back at that
1868 through the years, basically I wanted to enter a profession where I could, uh,
1869 assuage other people's sufferings.
1870
1871 Q14: Bala came to this country from India at age three, and was raised by Hindu
1872 parents, both educators.
1873
1874 Woman: We gave the (unintelligible) to study, the inspiration, that's it. We have not
1875 pushed him.
1876
1877 Q14: As a baby, Bala says his mother would count numbers...
1878
1879 ((1:19:00)).
1880
1881 Q14: ...to him like another mother might sing lullabies. By the time he turned two,
1882 she had taught him how to construct words with matchsticks.
1883
1884 A10: So you would have ate, let's say, and then you put H in front of it, becomes
1885 hate.
1886
1887 Q14: Each time Bala made a new word, his mother would reinforce this by striking
1888 a match.
1889
1890 A10: It would like make a pretty impressive display for a kid.

1891
1892 Q14: And that was how you learned to read?
1893
1894 A10: Right.
1895
1896 Q14: By four, Bala learned calculus. He mastered chess at six, and went out to play
1897 tournaments. In 1987, while he and his older brother were vacationing in
1898 Disneyworld, they got an idea.
1899
1900 A10: We heard about the story of the three hemophiliac kids in Arcadia who had
1901 gotten AIDS from blood transfusions. Their house was burned down in their,
1902 uh, town. So instants like that made myself and my brother want to do
1903 something to help dispel some of the myths about the disease in the public.
1904
1905 Q14: So at 9 years old, Bala, with his brother (Jaya), began a book about AIDS for
1906 children that was eventually...
1907
1908 ((1:20:00)).
1909
1910 Q14: ...published. Then at 11, Bala was the youngest contestant ever to appear on
1911 It's Academic, a high school quiz show.
1912
1913 Man: Bile, hemoglobin, adrenaline.
1914
1915 A10: Hemoglobin.
1916
1917 Man: That's right.
1918
1919 Q14: That same year, he finished high school. At 13, Bala graduated from New
1920 York University with a degree in Biology, where he got only two B's, the rest
1921 A's. At 14, he started medical school in New York. Now comes the inevitable
1922 comparison.
1923
1924 A10: Doogie Howser.
1925
1926 Q14: You knew I was gonna say that.
1927
1928 A10: Of course.
1929
1930 Boy: He's been hit in the heart, looks like a (unintelligible), I'm opening him up.
1931
1932 Woman: There's still no pulse.
1933
1934 Man: He'll gush, let's move him to the OR.
1935

1936 Boy: There's no time, I have to open him up here. Scalpel.
1937
1938 Q14: Doogie Howser is TV's crackerjack adolescent MD.
1939
1940 Girl: What's that?
1941
1942 Boy: My pants alarm - my beeper. I got to call in, (Wanda).
1943
1944 A10: Well, I've actually never seen the show.
1945
1946 Q14: You've never seen it?
1947
1948 A10: No.
1949
1950 Q14: There's all these episodes of Doogie having his first kiss, or...
1951
1952 ((1:21:00)).
1953
1954 Q14: ...getting in a first fight with the girlfriend. Any of those ring true in your life?
1955
1956 A10: I don't have a girlfriend so, but, uh...
1957
1958 Q14: You ever kissed a girl?
1959
1960 A10: Uh, no. It's not the right time, you know, 14 in medical school, and the culture
1961 from which I'm coming from, it doesn't, uh, foster dating in - in the western
1962 style.
1963
1964 Man: Partial fractions, uh, separate to same.
1965
1966 Q14: In the Ambati house, an afternoon of family fun consists of grappling with
1967 mathematical puzzles. Their intellectual jousting recently produced a soon-to-
1968 be-published formula they say would dramatically reduce the cost of AIDS
1969 testing.
1970
1971 A10: Instead of using one sample, test ten samples at a time. So if you find that the
1972 whole batch is negative, then you know all of those ten people are - don't have
1973 the virus, doing only one test.
1974
1975 Q14: When I was in school, we hated people like you because you always ruined
1976 the curve.
1977
1978 A10: Uh, yeah.
1979
1980 Q14: Are you a genius?

1981
1982 A10: That's not for me to judge.
1983
1984 ((1:22:00)).
1985
1986 A10: Basically all that I've done is a combination of three factors, God's grace,
1987 family support, and hard - my own hard work. You've been up and around
1988 this morning?
1989
1990 Woman: Yes, I have.
1991
1992 A10: Okay.
1993
1994 Q14: Bala assisted in this woman's treatment for two weeks before we told her his
1995 age.
1996
1997 Woman: But he's a year older than my son, and my son is still in high school. It's
1998 amazing. Oh, I have no problem with it. He's been a good doctor so far.
1999
2000 Q14: If you accelerate in one way, you do lose - you have to lose something?
2001
2002 A10: Life is not about (unintelligible) where you - you exchange parts of a pie. Uh,
2003 what have I lost? Perhaps I did not, uh, have nights on the town. I didn't
2004 watch 15 hours of television a week. To whatever I missed out on, I think has
2005 more than made up in what I've gained, and I'm really happy with what I'm
2006 doing.
2007
2008 Q15: Well, once Bala graduates from New York's Mt. Sinai Medical School next
2009 year, he plans to specialize in ophthalmology. After that, what's left for an
2010 encore? Well, he says he hopes to...
2011
2012 ((1:23:00)).
2013
2014 Q15: ...win a Nobel Prize someday. Maybe in his 20's. We wouldn't want him to
2015 peak too early. Still ahead, a mother facing a death sentence, looking for
2016 someone to take care of her little girls. At first it seemed hopeless, and then
2017 the search paid off. Also, can you guess what year it was? The Dateline
2018 timeline.
2019
2020 Man: Are you tired? Who isn't? Get some tips on picking up a few extra winks in a
2021 special health report on sleep. Wake up with Bryant and Katie, and see what a
2022 difference Today makes, tomorrow. Is hard time becoming too soft? Some
2023 inmates live better in jail than out, and it's making people angry. What's being
2024 done about it? Get close, get answers on NBC Nightly News tomorrow.
2025

2026 Woman: Don't you just hate having to park so far away?
2027
2028 Man: You'd think a mall would have more sporting goods than just this.
2029
2030 Woman: What do you mean that store's at the other end of the mall?
2031
2032 Ad: Northwest Outlet is the area's largest sports source. They have an outstanding
2033 selection...
2034
2035 ((1:24:00)).
2036
2037 Ad: ...of gifts for the holidays. Match that up with prices that mean real savings,
2038 and these are just some of the reasons people shop at Northwest Outlet, year
2039 after year. This holiday season avoid mall madness and shop the store that has
2040 more, and put the fun back in holiday shopping. Northwest Outlet, 1814
2041 Belknap and Superior.
2042
2043 (Singing).
2044
2045 Ad: (Kira) befriends a ship of alien refugees.
2046
2047 Man: They're experiencing their first taste of freedom.
2048
2049 Ad: They're on a desperate search for their birthright.
2050
2051 Woman: (Pan Thomas) is a legendary home of the (Skeins).
2052
2053 Ad: A search that leads to (Bajore).
2054
2055 ((1:25:00)).
2056
2057 Woman: And (Tanya) is your friend.
2058
2059 Ad: Now, (Kira) is torn between their people and her own.
2060
2061 Man: (Bajore) simply cannot absorb 3 million refugees.
2062
2063 Man: I thought we were welcome here.
2064
2065 Ad: On the next episode of Star Trek, Deep Space 9. Saturday on KBJR, Channel
2066 6. KBJR, Channel 6.
2067
2068 Man: Here again is Stone Phillips.
2069
2070 Q15: Now Dateline follow up. A brief look at what's happened since we brought

2071 you these stories. Two weeks ago, we reported on stealing and selling nuclear
2072 material, the makings of atomic bombs. It's all coming from the former Soviet
2073 Union, where nuclear security is a shambles.
2074
2075 Man: Their control system is broken down with the disappearance of the Soviet
2076 Union.
2077
2078 Q15: Just last Monday, police in Prague announced they've arrested two former
2079 Soviet citizens, and a Czech physicist. On the backseat of their car in
2080 canisters, six pounds of enriched uranium...
2081
2082 ((1:26:00)).
2083
2084 Q15: ...the kind used in nuclear warheads. Last spring, we aired a story of alleged
2085 child abuse. (Holly Ramona) sued her father, (Gary), claiming he raped her
2086 repeatedly when she was a child. Her recollections were supposedly
2087 reawakened by two therapists. (Gary) won a malpractice suit against the
2088 therapists, but (Holly)'s original suit remained. Well, last week, (Gary) won
2089 again. A judge threw out the sex abuse suit, saying the malpractice decision
2090 eliminated any question that he ever molested her. (Holly)'s lawyer says she'll
2091 appeal.
2092
2093 Woman: Now the Dateline timeline. All the following events happened during this, the
2094 third week of December. Do you know what year it was? Rashiv Gandhi was
2095 elected Prime Minister of India. Lee Iacocca's autobiography was a best
2096 seller.
2097
2098 Man: Don't move. Turn over.
2099
2100 Man: Way to go, (Rosewood). You're some kind of cop, you know that?
2101
2102 Woman: Beverly Hills Cop was the hot movie.
2103
2104 ((1:27:00)).
2105
2106 Woman: On TV, Rock Hudson joined the cast of Dynasty. And Madonna's new single
2107 led the charts.
2108
2109 (Singing).
2110
2111 Woman: All right, what year was it? 1983, 1984, or 1985? The answer when Dateline
2112 continues.
2113
2114 Ad: For the man who warms up to the finer things in life, our entire stock of men's
2115 sweaters is on sale at Sears, including jacquard sweaters for 40% off. All other

2116 sweaters are 30% to 40% off, and for the man who starts to warm up when
2117 he's all dressed down, there's always the sweat suit. And right now, all men's
2118 active wear is on sale at Sears, where wishes come home for the holidays.
2119
2120 Ad: Red Lobster presents our lobster and shrimp...
2121
2122 ((1:28:00)).
2123
2124 Ad: ...feast, shrimp cocktail, a luscious lobster tail, lobster and shrimp over pasta,
2125 and golden friend shrimp, together for a short time at Red Lobster.
2126
2127 Ad: The Timex Indiglo Nightlight. No woman should be without one.
2128
2129 Ad: To those special men who gave you their best all year long, give them our
2130 best. This holiday season give the new Gillette Sensor Excel, with micro-fins
2131 for the world's best shave. Gillette, the best a man can get.
2132
2133 Ad: 1-800 Collect presents Politeness Man.
2134
2135 Man: Hello, being the champion...
2136
2137 ((1:29:00)).
2138
2139 Man: ...of courtesy, I get lots of letters. Oh, my. Not to mention countless 1-800
2140 collect calls, which I graciously accept. Yet there's always that one person
2141 who calls collect the rude way, by dialing 0. Here's how I deal with it. Hello?
2142
2143 Woman: 0 dialed collect call from (unintelligible), do you accept?
2144
2145 Man: Accept what, the exorbitant amount of money I'll have to spend on this call?
2146 Money that could go to save the whales, the rainforest, the ozone layer?
2147 Guaranteeing the children of the world a better tomorrow?
2148
2149 Woman: Oh, well, I...
2150
2151 Man: My thoughts exactly. Remember, it's 1-800 Collect for savings.
2152
2153 Ad: It's a special holiday Unsolved Mysteries now on Friday. Was this terminally
2154 ill child really healed by a Christmas miracle?
2155
2156 Woman: I have the proof.
2157
2158 Ad: Unsolved Mysteries, now on Friday. Friday, a network television premier.
2159 Who would you get to reunite your parents in time for Christmas?
2160

2161 Girl: We really got to talk.
2162
2163 Ad: But to fulfill this wish, the big guy's gonna need a little help.
2164
2165 Man: Now it's Christmas.
2166
2167 Ad: Leslie Nielsen, Lauren Bacall, (Kevin Nielendar).
2168
2169 Man: Your family is waiting.
2170
2171 Ad: A network premiere.
2172
2173 Girl: It's Santa.
2174
2175 Ad: All I Want for Christmas at a special time, NBC Friday.
2176
2177 ((1:30:00)).
2178
2179 Woman: So what year was it? Gandhi was a winner, so was Iacocca, and Like a Virgin
2180 was the hot single. It all happened the third week of December, 1984.
2181
2182 Man: From our studios in New York, here again is Jane Pauley.
2183
2184 Q16: When you count the lives destroyed by AIDS, you have to remember the
2185 healthy children who've lost their parents to the disease. Experts now estimate
2186 there will soon be 2 million AIDS orphans worldwide, including tens of
2187 thousands here in the United States. For more than two years, we've been
2188 following the story of one mother who made it her mission to find her kids a
2189 home before it was too late. Tonight we bring you the latest chapter in this
2190 unforgettable tale. She was a little girl named (Destiny), but the course her life
2191 was taking...
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2193 ((1:31:00)).
2194
2195 Q16: ...at the age of eight, that she would be an orphan before her next birthday, and
2196 she knew it. Her mother was dying of AIDS. Tell me what do you think is
2197 going to happen?
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2199 Girl: I can - want to be adopted when my mom goes away, and I think she's gonna
2200 go to heaven. I don't think she's gonna go to heaven, you know, she's gonna
2201 go to heaven.
2202
2203 Woman: She's scared. She's scared.
2204
2205 Q16: It was June of 1992, and (Destiny)'s mother, (Tanya Shaw), was in the

2206 advanced stages of AIDS. But she was determined to find a family for
2207 (Destiny) and her little sister (Chastity) before she died. Otherwise, they'd
2208 grow up in the foster care system. She wanted better, and she didn't have
2209 much time.
2210
2211 A11: Even if I be really more sicker, I'll be sure to put my X on them papers, on my
2212 bed...
2213
2214 ((1:32:00)).
2215
2216 A11: ...so they get legalized, and make it happen.
2217
2218 Q16: Do you have a sense that there's a big clock tick, tick, ticking, and you're
2219 gonna find this family real fast?
2220
2221 A11: Yeah. Now I do. Now I do. This is a killer. This AIDS, it's a killer.
2222
2223 Q16: When mothers and fathers started dying of AIDS, what to do with the children
2224 was often a tragic afterthought. (Tanya)'s idea was novel and brave. There
2225 were newspaper articles about the mother with AIDS, and the little girls she'd
2226 leave behind. Readers were deeply touched. People came forward, meaning to
2227 help, but it sometimes hurt. What kind of a family would you like to find?
2228
2229 Girl: If my mama had found these people. I liked them very much, but they already
2230 had a daughter and they said they didn't want me.
2231
2232 ((1:33:00)).
2233
2234 Q16: What a hard thing it was for an 8-year-old to understand. Her own mother was
2235 trying to find another mother. Sometimes any mother's arms would do. Look
2236 straight ahead. It was the last thing she could do for her kids, find them a
2237 home. But (Tanya) didn't realize how hard it would be. Sick as she was, she
2238 needed help. Enter (Monte Hallis). She was working on a documentary film
2239 about women and AIDS.
2240
2241 A12: I felt like I don't want to make a film on this. I want to help this woman.
2242
2243 Q16: When she met (Tanya Shaw), the film, and just about everything else in her
2244 life, was put on hold.
2245
2246 A12: To have somebody, a mother, sit there and look in your eyes, and tell you that
2247 "I'm dying" - I couldn't turn away. I could not turn away.
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2249 Q16: (Monte Hallis) became the girls' legal guardian.
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2251 ((1:34:00)).
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2253 Q16: When (Tanya) had bad spells, she'd take them in. It became virtually a full
2254 time commitment. Others responded. One family actually took the girls home,
2255 but brought them back only a few days later. Sometimes good intentions
2256 aren't enough. But after those painful starts, this looked like the happy ending.
2257 When Dateline's story aired in September 1992, (Tanya Shaw) seemed to
2258 have completed her mission. She had found a family that would adopt her two
2259 little girls, and we found (Destiny) and (Chastity) splashing in their new mom
2260 and dad's backyard pool. It wouldn't last.
2261
2262 A12: I sat in their room with (Tanya), you know, in their living room, and they
2263 looked (Tanya) in the eye and they said, "Once you say yes, these will be our
2264 children and we will love them like our own." It was a solemn vow and it was
2265 broken, yeah.
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2267 Q16: How quickly?
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2269 A12: I don't remember, a month and a half.
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2271 Q16: That's all?
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2273 ((1:35:00)).
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2275 A12: Yeah.
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2277 Q16: When were they returned? How'd they get back to you?
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2279 A12: I received a call that (Destiny) had had a false positive AIDS test, which is
2280 exactly what it is, it's a false positive, so they do other testing.
2281
2282 Q16: (Destiny) was not infected with HIV, but the very thought of AIDS was too
2283 much for the new mother. She just freaked out over that?
2284
2285 A12: She freaked and it was like that - it was a done deal for her.
2286
2287 Q16: All the while, someone else was taking an interest in (Tanya Shaw). (Corey
2288 Baker) had read about her in the newspaper. What in the newspaper caught
2289 your eye?
2290
2291 A13: Just the two little girls with their mom, and, uh...
2292
2293 Q16: The picture?
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2295 A13: Yeah, and that they were - they just looked so innocent, and - and she was

2296 gonna have to leave and not be able to see them grow up. I don't know, it just
2297 broke my heart.
2298
2299 Q16: More than that, (Tanya)'s plight had touched a common cord.
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2301 A13: You know, years ago I went through, um, I had cervical cancer, and it took
2302 weeks and weeks for them to...
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2304 ((1:36:00)).
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2306 A13: ...find out how far it had invaded in my - in - in my body, and so I lived with,
2307 you know, where will my kids be, who will take care of them, and, you know.
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2309 Q16: And what if?
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2311 A13: Uh-huh.
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2313 Q16: When did you make the first phone call to (Tanya)?
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2315 A13: That day.
2316
2317 Q16: (Tanya) had the same effect on (Corey) she'd had on (Monte). There were
2318 many long distance phone calls. A bond was formed, though her husband
2319 (Carl) knew nothing about it.
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2321 A14: Yeah, I didn't know anything about it for, uh, I think a couple weeks.
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2323 Q16: She was in real deep by the time she did bring it to your attention, huh?
2324
2325 A14: Yeah, I wasn't real comfortable with the situation. LA's a long way from here.
2326
2327 Q16: Hesperia, California and south central LA share the same time zone, but little
2328 else. (Corey) and (Carl Baker) live with their kids...
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2330 ((1:37:00)).
2331
2332 Q16: ...12-year-old (Heather) and 11-year-old (Aaron), on a five-acre ranch. But
2333 (Corey) was determined to meet (Tanya). She took her daughter and drove to
2334 LA.
2335
2336 A13: And this was right after the riots, so not only were we driving into LA, but we
2337 were driving into the burned out section, and it was kind of scary.
2338
2339 Q16: They drove two and a half hours to Los Angeles to meet (Tanya) and the girls
2340 for the first time. (Corey) would have taken the girls herself, but they were

2341 going to another family, and were leaving (Tanya) that very day. Not only
2342 that, but there was some confusion over their suitcases. (Tanya) blamed
2343 (Corey).
2344
2345 A13: I forgot those bags there. She got very upset.
2346
2347 Q16: She came after you?
2348
2349 A13: Yeah, she physically attacked me.
2350
2351 Q16: But after that, why didn't you get in your car and - and drive back out here,
2352 and let it go?
2353
2354 A13: I knew how hard it would be for her after she let the girls go.
2355
2356 Q16: But the kids kept being sent back and finally, with (Tanya) near death, in
2357 November of 1992...
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2359 ((1:38:00)).
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2361 Q16: ...(Monte) made a decision as their legal guardian, to send them to Hesperia to
2362 (Carl) and (Corey Baker). When (Tanya) found out, she was furious.
2363
2364 A14: She got a little upset about the situation, and came up with another family for
2365 the - the girls to go to. (Corey) and I talked about it and, uh, only because they
2366 were a black family, thought that, you know, maybe that would be better for
2367 the girls.
2368
2369 A13: I mean we had to do what (Tanya) asked, you know. I mean she had to sign
2370 the parental consent.
2371
2372 Q16: 'Cause the whole idea was that (Tanya), the mother, was going to decide
2373 where they ended up.
2374
2375 A13: Right.
2376
2377 Q16: And this is her last bit of control. So after two months, (Destiny) and
2378 (Chastity) left the (Bakers)' home, to live with a fourth family in as many
2379 months. It wasn't a week before (Corey) was called to pick them up again.
2380 Still, (Tanya) resisted the (Bakers). It wasn't that they were white, in fact,
2381 (Tanya) had figured that might be an advantage.
2382
2383 A12: She said, "(Monte)...
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2385 ((1:39:00)).

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2387 A12: ...if everything falls apart, I know my children will have a better chance of
2388 getting an education if they're with a white family."
2389
2390 Q16: So it wasn't their color. It was something else.
2391
2392 A12: She couldn't accept these good country folk coming in and loving her
2393 children, and she didn't understand horses and hay and farm life and dirt, you
2394 know. (Tanya) was a girl that grew up in the city in a really tough, tough life.
2395
2396 Q16: Did you ever feel a little guilty, uh, signing up (Carl) and (Corey), knowing
2397 that there were gonna be big problems?
2398
2399 A12: Oh, yeah. I - I was - I almost went in painting a bad picture, because I wanted
2400 everybody to know what they were getting into.
2401
2402 Q16: Because you never wanted anybody to return...
2403
2404 A12: No.
2405
2406 Q16: ...to reject these girls again?
2407
2408 A12: No, and I wanted them to understand the stigma and the issues of the adoption
2409 and the AIDS, and they seemed deaf.
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2411 Q16: (Tanya) finally did...
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2413 ((1:40:00)).
2414
2415 Q16: ...give (Corey) and (Carl) her blessing. She was then living at this AIDS
2416 hospice, and a month later, in February 1993, she died.
2417
2418 A12: She was in my arms, you know.
2419
2420 Q16: She died in your arms?
2421
2422 A12: Yeah, yeah. In my arms.
2423
2424 Q16: That was almost two years ago.
2425
2426 Girl: Hi, mommy. Mommy.
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2428 Q16: It's been two and a half years since (Corey) and (Carl) first met (Destiny) and
2429 (Chastity). Now they're a family. Four kids, a lot of dogs, a llama, and 15
2430 horses, which were (Destiny)'s first best friends here. (Destiny), this is a huge

2431 change for you. You're - you're now living in the desert, you used to live in
2432 the city. What's the difference?
2433
2434 A15: Well, there's no smog and there's no gangs or anything, and it's really nice,
2435 and like your friends don't say bad words or they're not mean to you and
2436 everything.
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2438 ((1:41:00)).
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2440 A13: Take five steps back.
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2442 A15: I can't do it.
2443
2444 A13: Just got to practice.
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2446 Q16: After lots of practice with (Corey) in the backyard.
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2448 Woman: Finally should be ready for entry into the arena with (unintelligible) Number
2449 25...
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2451 Q16: (Destiny) entered her first horse show last spring, and won a ribbon. Before
2452 coming here, (Destiny) had gone to five different schools in three months.
2453
2454 A15: I'm (unintelligible) because I'm adopted.
2455
2456 Q16: Now, she's a 5th grader at the Hesperia Christian School, where she's made
2457 the Honor Roll. Do the girls worry about your attachment to them? Do they
2458 worry that - that you could send them back again?
2459
2460 A13: No. At first though I will say that, uh, one day (Destiny) said, "Mom, if I
2461 came up HIV positive, would you send me back?" And I - I was shocked, and
2462 I said, "Well, you know, if (Heather) came down with...
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2464 ((1:42:00)).
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2466 A13: ...leukemia or - or if I had my arm cut off, I mean would you leave me? What
2467 - you know, you're not damaged goods, no, of course, you know, we
2468 wouldn't."
2469
2470 Q16: Looking back on it, what do you think about what you did?
2471
2472 A14: I wouldn't change anything. I mean that's - you know, it's really nice, you
2473 come home and the door doesn't hardly get open and they come running to the
2474 door, "Papa, papa," you know. But, uh, it's very heartwarming. I like coming
2475 home.

Q16: (Destiny), do you have any idea what you want to do when you grow up?

A15: Yeah. I want to be a general surgeon.

Q16: A general surgeon? You want to be a doctor? And what would your name be if you were a doctor? What would the name on the shingle say?

A15: Dr. (Baker).

Q16: Dr. (Destiny Baker)? What is it, (Corey)?

A13: Just proud of them.

Q16: (Tanya) would be proud too.

((1:43:00)).

Q16: Almost in spite of herself, her dream came true. In your mind's eye, describe the family you're looking for.

A11: It's like a dream, just down to earth, real good people, who's willing to love these kids and raise them like their own kids. That's what I'm looking for.

Q16: The (Bakers) are very close to adopting (Destiny) and (Chastity). It should be official in the next few weeks. And (Tanya Shaw)'s other dream also came true. (Monte Hallis) has set up a non-profit agency called Tanya's Children, which helps find guardians and adoptive parents for healthy children whose parents have AIDS. So far, they've found homes for eight children.

Man: Coming up, how do they find the toys that all of America is after this Christmas? It'll be a Power Ranger's Christmas at their homes. What about yours?

((1:44:00)).

Man: Plus, what do women really want? Wait 'til you hear our Question of the Week.

Woman: Joe Montana, everybody's football hero, from Notre Dame to his glory years in the NFL. Could this be his final game? A look at his legendary career Saturday.

Man: Last night on the Tonight Show, Jay got some holiday help from Kareem Abdul-Jabar. Tonight, he welcomes Susan Sarandon, and from the (John

2521 Holiket) Show, (Shine McBride). Then Conan's got Tony Bennett, NBC
2522 Tonight.
2523
2524 Ad: Old Town Galleries makes Christmas giving a joy. Old Town Galleries in the
2525 Village Mall has many sought-after limited edition (unintelligible) and decoys
2526 that have been signed and numbered by the artist. Nostalgic Coca-Cola items,
2527 limited edition bronzes, and the ever-popular Yankee Candles. Old Town also
2528 carries custom crafted tables and custom etched glass, with a convenient
2529 layaway plan, one-day custom framing, and gift certificates available, make
2530 this Christmas special with a gift from Old Town Galleries and you, in the
2531 Village Mall in Duluth, open seven days a week until Christmas.
2532
2533 Ad: Fun, safe bigger.
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2535 ((1:45:00)).
2536
2537 Ad: Better. The Gymnastics Academy. Classes for all ages and skill levels.
2538 Tumbling classes for future cheerleaders, and karate classes too, all offered at
2539 Gymnastics Academy. A highly-trained staff insures a fun, non-pressured
2540 learning environment, backed by a four student to one coach ratio, at the
2541 Gymnastics Academy, a perfect place for a birthday party, offering a fun and
2542 safe gymnastics experience for everyone. You bet, the Gymnastics Academy,
2543 4710 West Arrowhead Road of course, it's the Gymnastics Academy.
2544
2545 Man: Educated, skilled, accomplished, an expert. Words that are used to describe a
2546 surgeon, or perhaps a chemist. Words that are also used to describe a
2547 meteorologist. An expensive education and broadcasting experience are
2548 required to become a certified meteorologist and receive an AMS seal, a seal
2549 awarded only to those who are studying all fields pertaining to weather. Get
2550 your weather straight from a scientist every day of the week. Meteorologist
2551 (George Kessler), weeknights only on KBJR Channel 6.
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2553 Man: Top Line News at 10:00, tonight.
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2555 ((1:46:00)).
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2557 Man: Here again is Stone Phillips.
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2559 Q15: Well, if you're like a lot of parents, you don't even have to ask what your kids
2560 want for Christmas this year. The answer, Power Rangers. It's the hottest toy
2561 craze in years, so we thought we'd check to see how parents find the toys that
2562 all of America is after. Let's put it this way, it's not a search for the feint of
2563 heart. From the nation's biggest toy store to this guy in Hoboken, retailers are
2564 singing the praises of...
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Man: Power Rangers.

Q15: For those who don't know Zack and Jason and Kimberly on a first-name basis, ask any 5-year-old. They'll tell you the Mighty Morphin Power Rangers...

((1:47:00)).

Q15: ...are teenagers who use dinosaur power to transform or morph into awesome alien-fighting superheroes. It's the most popular children's show in a decade, and this year, Power Rangers are everywhere, fueling a $1 billion merchandising miracle. We're talking Barbie numbers here. And with only a few Christmas shopping days left, the most coveted action figures, the Zords, are almost impossible to get.

Woman: The Zords are basically the vehicle that goes to the character, that allows him to fight the aliens. Can you stand I know this?

Boy: Yes, yes, yes.

Q15: (Mary Oster) lives and breathes Power Rangers, and every day you'll find (Mary) and her network of Power Ranger junkies in the mall or on the phone, searching for those must-have items.

A17: Yes, I'm checking on your Power Rangers please.

((1:48:00)).

A17: I'm looking for a white tiger Zord. Don't laugh.

Q15: After months of study, she knows inventories and delivery schedules better than most store managers.

A17: I say use your friends and use the phone. Oh, they have the aliens? And that was at what time - at what time? Every day. We do, we do it every day. Um, if we're going out to get milk and there's a tornado, okay, I'm upset.

Q15: If it's Tuesday, it must be Toys R Us, and for (Mary), nothing beats the sweet sound of the store manager saying...

Woman: Good morning everybody, we're open.

Q15: (Mary) knows the early bird catches the Tiger Zord. And this morning, after a five-month search, she got lucky, snagging the only one, after somebody returned it.

2611
2612 A17: Yes. We are doing great. All right.
2613
2614 Q15: Of course, this obsession does have its price. The Power Rangers have already
2615 zapped (Mary)'s checkbook for $2500.
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2617 ((1:49:00)).
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2619 Q15: Money spent on her two kids alone. But she says she's happy knowing her
2620 Ranger want-to-be's will have it all. 'Til their fascination morphs, and a force
2621 yet unknown sends the Power Rangers the way of the Cabbage Patch Dolls.
2622 But don't count them out anytime soon. The Power Rangers are also starring
2623 in a stage show that will visit 65 cities. And Mighty Morphin Power Rangers,
2624 the Movie is due out next summer.
2625
2626 Man: In a moment, it makes her tingle all over. Our Question of the Week.
2627
2628 Woman: I can't believe you're running a video, and you've got the Internet going here
2629 (unintelligible).
2630
2631 Man: Did you notice that it's not missing a beat here?
2632
2633 Woman: And how do you do all this at the same time?
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2635 Man: Phone dials and it records video.
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2637 Man: Right from the desktop?
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2639 ((1:50:00)).
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2641 Man: Database, spreadsheet, communications, the whole thing.
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2643 Woman: I like how easy it is to go back and forth.
2644
2645 Man: Everything together, around 90 bucks.
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2647 Man: No.
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2649 Man: Yeah.
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2651 Man: No.
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2653 Man: Yeah.
2654
2655 Ad: OX24, a totally cool way to run your computer.

2656
2657 Ad: Throat needs soothing? Reach for new Celestial Seasonings Soothers, real
2658 fruit juice flavor in all natural herbal throat drops. Not too sweet, not too
2659 strong. Sore throat relief that's just right. Celestial Seasonings Soothers.
2660
2661 Ad: How much closer are our precision heads, our innovative lift and cut system?
2662 How much better is the latest Norelco? In a word, we've never brought you
2663 closer. The Norelco razor, our closest shave ever.
2664
2665 Ad: Introducing a revolutionary new toothbrush, the Aqua Fresh Flex Direct, the
2666 only toothbrush with the unique pivoting head for cleaning those hard to reach
2667 places. Let's see how well it bends. First, the brushes tackle the
2668 (unintelligible), no problem. Next, the pipes.
2669
2670 ((1:51:00)).
2671
2672 Ad: Clean through, now into the slalom. Watch that head pivot. The winner, new
2673 Aqua Fresh Flex Direct, and it's flexible neck is gentle on your gums too.
2674 Aqua Fresh Flex Direct cleans brilliantly because it really uses its head.
2675
2676 Ad: A violent crime, the suspect, her husband.
2677
2678 Man: You are going to be very sorry.
2679
2680 Ad: But without evidence, he could go free.
2681
2682 Man: Not guilty.
2683
2684 Woman: He shot her.
2685
2686 Ad: Law & Order, NBC next.
2687
2688 Ad: You know this designated driver thing? It's a good idea. I think designated
2689 drivers should be awarded sainthood - of course, without the celibacy. It'd be
2690 cool. People could kiss your school ring as you stood in line for the bathroom.
2691 You could get a little statue of yourself for your dashboard, and you'd be
2692 blessed with the knowledge that not only do saints save people's lives, they
2693 almost never dry heave into their corn flakes the next morning.
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2695 Man: Here again is Jane Pauley.
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2697 ((1:52:00)).
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2699 Q16: Now here's Tom Brokaw with a program note.
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2701 Q: Thanks, Jane. Tomorrow on Nightly News, prison life. Is hard time becoming
2702 just too soft? Some inmates live better in jail than outside, and it's making a
2703 lot of people angry. What's being done about that? We'll have some
2704 surprising answers tomorrow on NBC Nightly News. Jane.
2705
2706 Q16: Thanks, Tom. We're off this Friday, so let's take a look now at one of the
2707 stories we're working on for next Tuesday's Dateline. Two men served their
2708 country in war. One returned a walking time bomb, and soon he found a new
2709 target.
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2711 Man: It was time to pay (unintelligible).
2712
2713 Q16: But what might have been murder was instead a miracle.
2714
2715 Man: We really had shared a lot. I - I loved him as if he was my own family.
2716
2717 Q16: Next Tuesday on Dateline.
2718
2719 Man: 'Tis the season to shop 'til you drop, which brings us to our Question of the
2720 Week. The holiday scramble is on, and millions of Americans are hoping to
2721 find big sales and bottom line bargains...
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2723 ((1:53:00)).
2724
2725 Man: ...everywhere. Hard to beat the thrill of a good buy this time of year, right?
2726 Well, with that in mind, we asked 535 people one of life's big questions, what
2727 thrills you more, a great bargain on clothing and gifts, or great sex?
2728
2729 Man: Great sex, of course. That's just the gift that keeps on giving.
2730
2731 Man: You could always have great sex anytime, so I'll take the bargain.
2732
2733 Woman: I've been married 25 years. It's a great bargain, (unintelligible).
2734
2735 Man: Believe it or not, the results were an even split. But when we looked at it
2736 closer, we found a rather interesting trend. While 59% of men preferred great
2737 sex to a great bargain, a clear majority of women, 53% said a great bargain is
2738 the bigger, better thrill. Ouch.
2739
2740 Q15: Well, that's it for tonight. Since we won't be here on Friday, we want to wish
2741 you all a very happy holiday. I'm Stone Phillips and from all of us here at
2742 NBC News, good night.
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2744 ((1:54:00)).
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2746 Man: NBC News, now more than ever.
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2748 Man: Stay tuned for Law & Order on NBC.
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2750 Man: In the criminal justice system, the people are represented by two separate yet
2751 equally important groups, the police who investigate crime, and the District
2752 Attorneys who prosecute the offenders. These are their stories.
2753
2754 Woman: If you would come home when you said you would...
2755
2756 Man: So it's my fault the train broke down?
2757
2758 Woman: Well, you know I don't like to walk her by myself.
2759
2760 Man: I'll tell Amtrak.
2761
2762 Woman: Next time, you get to clean (unintelligible). Well...
2763
2764 Man: Look at them check those (unintelligible).
2765
2766 Woman: He's not doing anything.
2767
2768 Man: How many times are we gonna let these punks steal our radios?
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2770 Woman: And what are you gonna do...
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2772 Ad: And you're paying for it.
2773
2774 Man: That's a hot one.
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2776 Woman: You know they could steal your number?
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2778 Man: Absolutely not.
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2780 ((1:55:00)).
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2782 Man: It's a $1 billion business a year.
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2784 Man: Watching the cards? They call it a game of chance, but actually it's a game of
2785 no chance. Better watch your wallet.
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2787 Man: They just lie. It's their job to lie.
2788
2789 Man: And if you're shopping for a used car, we know one that's a steal.
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Man: I got a car.

Man: I don't want a car.

Man: (Unintelligible).

Man: Scam. Does a con artist have your number?

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Man: Tonight join Dan Rather, with correspondents (Harold Dow), (Phil Jones), (Erin Moriarty), (Richard Schlesinger), and (Susan Spencer). 48 Hours, scam.

((1:56:00)).

Man: From New York, here is Dan Rather.

Q17: Good evening. This holiday season some people are shopping for suckers, and not the kind you stuff in a stocking. Scam artists are out there, looking to make a quick buck at your expense. So, before you head to the store for that last minute gift, you should know what might be waiting for you and where. For starters, the threat could be as close as your next phone call.

Man: Command post.

Man: Go ahead.

Man: All right. It's two party, male and female. The male is approximately 5'7", 5'8". Female...

Woman: A deal is going down.

Man: And we got everything, including exchanging money, Serge.

Woman: And the cops are watching every move.

Man: That's a hot one.

Man: Let's go.

Man: That's a confirmed hit.

Man: Bank (unintelligible).

Man: You, my friend, are under arrest.

Woman: Busted.

Man: All right, in custody, en route inside.

Man: We just apprehended the first individuals.

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Woman: For making a phone call.

Man: You have the right to remain silent. Anything you say can and will be used against you in a court of law.

Man: But I'm innocent. I ain't going nowhere.

Woman: What they did that was illegal, was buy a phone called (Tagana) from this man, known around the train station as (Ron). He looked them up using a stolen calling card number, and then charged them the going rate, just $10 to talk as long as they like. New Jersey Transit Inspector (Joe Bober) sees transactions like this one every day in Newark's Penn Station.

A18: The word gets out, they see this particular individual, he's got a number, he could connect you from here to your loved ones, and once they hear that, people - flocks come into the station.

Woman: Today he's in charge of a special undercover operation, trying to shut the sellers down.

A18: (Marty), keep in sight.

Man: Right.

Woman: How big a problem was it in this station?

A18: Well, it - it's a problem but I want - I want to emphasize it's a problem that's national. It's - it runs from the east coast to the west coast.

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A18: It's a $1 billion, uh, business a year.

Woman: It's a crime that happens literally every minute. The victims, people like these, making phone calls in public phone booths in airports and train stations all over the country. While you're making a long distance telephone call,

2881 somebody could be trying to steal your credit card number.
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2883 A19: People just start walking up on you...
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2885 Woman: (Rocco San Flippo) is an investigator for MCI.
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2887 A19: Every time a - a receiver is picked up off the - the phone, every time a
2888 legitimate person is trying to make a phone call, there's three people behind
2889 him trying to steal that card.
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2891 Woman: It's called shoulder surfing, and it could happen to you. Are you using this
2892 phone?
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2894 Man: No, no.
2895
2896 Woman: Can I - I'm sorry, thanks. Or in this case, me. I'm using a card supplied by
2897 MCI. MCI number? Um, 954...watch everyone move in behind me.
2898 . This man even turns to our hidden camera to ask our
2899 photographer if he got the MCI card number.
2900
2901 Man: I seen you before (unintelligible).
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2903 Woman: And while we were looking over our...
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2905 ((1:59:00)).
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2907 Woman: ...shoulder, we never even noticed the guy in the next booth.
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2909 Man: Police Department.
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2911 Man: Oh.
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2913 Man: Can I see that piece of paper please? I want to check that with her card.
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2915 Woman: An undercover cop, just passing through the station, did.
2916
2917 Man: Yeah, sure.
2918
2919 Man: Hold on, okay, you're not even talking to anybody. You look and see what
2920 numbers are yours. Right here?
2921
2922 Woman: Yeah, that's - what was I doing wrong?
2923
2924 Man: Everything. Everything. You weren't protecting your calling card at all.
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2926 Woman: But I was really obvious, I mean most people would be that easy.
2927
2928 Man: No, I wouldn't say that. A lot of people are that easy. And - and it's not even a
2929 question of being easy, it's just the slight - the carelessness.
2930
2931 Woman: When you were watching me, how many people could you count trying to
2932 read the number?
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2934 Man: I counted at least five.
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2936 Woman: But they've got to have a clue that you're watching out for them, but they
2937 continue doing it?
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2939 Man: Basically 'cause they know that they're not gonna do big jail time for it.
2940
2941 Woman: Or any time at all.
2942
2943 Man: No, no.
2944
2945 Woman: New York law requires that a person must be in possession of the stolen card,
2946 not simply the number, to be charged with theft.
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2948 ((2:00:00)).
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2950 Woman: The man who wrote down our number was later released. It's no wonder the
2951 sellers hardly see it as a crime. You don't think it's stealing numbers?
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2953 Man: Absolutely not.
2954
2955 Woman: What are you doing?
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2957 Man: Using the telephone after you.
2958
2959 Woman: But you're using my credit card number.
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2961 Man: No.
2962
2963 Woman: Sure you are.
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2965 Man: No. Somebody else is using your number. I'm just helping them.
2966
2967 Woman: What were you doing before you started doing this?
2968
2969 Man: Construction.
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2971 Woman: Why'd you get into this?
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2973 Man: No job.
2974
2975 Woman: (Rob) has been selling illegal telephone calls for four months. But don't you
2976 feel guilty about it ever?
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2978 Man: Not really. Why should I?
2979
2980 Woman: Because somebody's paying for those phone calls that you're selling to
2981 someone else.
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2983 Man: Nobody's paying. And really nobody cares.
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2985 Woman: Tell that to the people that work in MCI's Fraud Control Unit.
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2987 ((2:01:00)).
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2989 Woman: You just ran from picking up this report to call this man.
2990
2991 A20: Oh, yeah. My name is (Holly Siegel), I'm calling from MCI's Fraud
2992 Detection. We want to get the card canceled as quickly as possible. Detecting
2993 fraudulent activity. And if we take just five minutes too long, it can be a loss
2994 in dollars, so...
2995
2996 Woman: Hundreds of dollars?
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2998 A20: Thousands of dollars.
2999
3000 Woman: Say for instance, the MCI card we used.
3001
3002 Man: This is your card that I gave you to use out on the street.
3003
3004 Woman: Two minutes after I got on the phone, the number was stolen and used.
3005 Romania, Algeria, Egypt, Algeria, USSR, Switzerland. If this had been a real
3006 customer, would that person have had to pay for these phone calls?
3007
3008 Man: No, on calling card fraud, MCI absorbs the, uh, the charges. Inadvertently,
3009 yes, the customers are paying for it because the more fraud we have, it gets
3010 passed on through higher telephone rates.
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3012 ((2:02:00)).
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3014 Woman: If it's so out in the open like what we saw, why can't it be stopped?
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3016 Man: Well, we are working to stop it. I got a car going up...
3017
3018 Woman: The operation at Newark's Penn Station took a month to plan, and plenty of
3019 manpower.
3020
3021 Man: Possible buy and sell intent.
3022
3023 Woman: An officer was hidden in the station's ceiling, watching for suspicious calls.
3024
3025 Man: Good possibility on position eight.
3026
3027 Man: Okay, we're watching.
3028
3029 Woman: The local phone company was in the basement, recording numbers.
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3031 Man: 01223...
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3033 Woman: Can you call a customer and ask her if she has authorized anyone to use her
3034 calling card...
3035
3036 Woman: Employees of AT&T, Sprint, and MCI were there, checking to see if the
3037 numbers were stolen.
3038
3039 Man: The calls are not authorized, so the person was not authorized.
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3041 Woman: 13 hours later, nine buyers and three sellers are arrested, including (Rob). The
3042 operation is considered a success. Okay, now, here's the real question.
3043
3044 ((2:03:00)).
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3046 Woman: If you get out of here, are you gonna start doing this again?
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3048 Man: Nah, I think I'll leave this alone now.
3049
3050 Woman: Really?
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3052 Man: Yeah. The weather's breaking. I can go back to construction now.
3053
3054 Q17: Next, beware the pigeon dropping. This time it won't ruin your car...
3055
3056 Man: They're all falling on us.
3057
3058 Q17: But it just might ruin your life.
3059
3060 Man: Oh, my God, the pigeon drop.

3061
3062 A21: I never in my born life though this would happen to me.
3063
3064 Ad: Over the years, some pretty hungry folks have stopped by my place.
3065
3066 Ad: The mega meal from KFC is back. Your choice of chicken, a ton of side
3067 dishes, even a whole pie, all just $14.99. And this week get a Bug's mug. Just
3068 $1.99 with every mega meal. Collect all four. The mega meal from KFC,
3069 enough food to feed your whole family, or one...
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3071 ((2:04:00)).
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3073 Ad: ...Tasmanian devil.
3074
3075 Man: I'm not going in. I'm on my deathbed here.
3076
3077 Woman: Why not take Dayquil?
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3079 Man: But my head is pounding, and I can't stop coughing.
3080
3081 Woman: Take Dayquil.
3082
3083 Man: Won't this stuff fix all that?
3084
3085 Woman: No, that won't do anything for your headache or your cough. Take the
3086 Dayquil.
3087
3088 Ad: From the makers of Nyquil, Vicks Dayquil Liquid Caps, complete non-
3089 drowsy cold relief.
3090
3091 Man: Don't you hate it when she's right?
3092
3093 Ad: Vicks Dayquil Liquid Caps, the non-drowsy, stuffy head, congested chest,
3094 sore throat, coughing, fever, so you can face your day medicine. Also try new
3095 Dayquil Sinus formulas.
3096
3097 Ad: It just wouldn't feel like Christmas without Old Spice.
3098
3099 Ad: To those special men who gave you their best all year long, give them our
3100 best. This holiday season give the new Gillette Sensor Excel, with micro-fins
3101 for the world's best shave.
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3103 ((2:05:00)).
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3105 Ad: Gillette, the best a man can get.

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3107 Ad: For the man who warms up to the finer things in life, our entire stock of men's
3108 sweaters is on sale at Sears, including jacquard sweaters for 40% off. All other
3109 sweaters are 30% to 40% off, and for the man who starts to warm up when
3110 he's all dressed down, there's always the sweat suit. And right now, all men's
3111 active wear is on sale at Sears, where wishes come home for the holidays.
3112
3113 Ad: Walk your way through the holidays with (Tim Black), Trisha Yearwood,
3114 (Vince Gittle), and special guest star Neil Diamond. The all new Opryland's
3115 Country Christmas, Thursday.
3116
3117 Ad: Happy Holidays and a great New Year. Due South, Thursdays on CBS.
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3119 ((2:06:00)).
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3121 Man: Even crime takes a holiday, so when it gets cold up north, the con artists
3122 follow the sun to places like Miami. No need to look for them, they'll find
3123 you. You're just walking along, minding your business, when a stranger who
3124 looks worried, walks up to you and says he just found this. And this just
3125 happens to be filled with money. Says he doesn't know what to do with it.
3126 Thinks for awhile, and then he says maybe the two of you can share it. If you
3127 think this is your lucky day, if you think this is the beginning of a beautiful
3128 friendship, you're wrong. This is the beginning of one of the oldest scams in
3129 the world, the pigeon drop.
3130
3131 A21: We're going to the shopping center, then all of a sudden, boom, everything
3132 goes up in the air.
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3134 Man: In this case, the pigeon was an 81-year-old widow, (Ro Scheinholz). She was
3135 at the mall one day when a sweet...
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3137 ((2:07:00)).
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3139 Man: ...young woman came up to her, holding a money pouch she says she had just
3140 found.
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3142 A21: She says, "Would you please, lady, help me out?" I was in the Bartlett Bank,
3143 and I'm on my lunch hour, and I'll get in trouble with my boss.
3144
3145 Man: In trouble because her boss might think she had stolen the money from the
3146 bank.
3147
3148 A21: "Will you please come as a witness and tell them what happened, that I found
3149 some money?" This one was so innocent. Such an intelligent refined
3150 appearance on her face. That you can't help but love somebody like that.

3151
3152 Man: Which is just what (Rosa)'s supposed to think. Except according to police,
3153 that innocent young thing isn't so innocent, and she isn't working alone. This
3154 woman comes along, posing as a passerby. She convinces (Rose) that all three
3155 of them should go to the bank and straighten the whole thing out.
3156
3157 A21: The other lady said okay, so I said, "All right."
3158
3159 Man: All three go to the bank.
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3161 ((2:08:00)).
3162
3163 Man: The woman with the money pouch goes inside, and moments later, comes out
3164 with the good news, which is this.
3165
3166 A21: "My boss says that that money belongs to you. It don't belong to anybody,
3167 you could have it, it's yours."
3168
3169 Man: Now tell me, if you were (Rose), would you fall for this next part? The
3170 woman tells you the bank took the money and gave her a check for $12,000,
3171 and she offers to split it three ways. All you have to do, (Rose), is take the
3172 check and give me and this other woman our share, $4000 each, in cash.
3173 (Rose) fell for it. She took the check, withdrew the cash from her account, and
3174 gave it to the two women. There was just one problem. The check was a total
3175 phony, just like the two women. Now you would never fall for something like
3176 that, right?
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3178 A22: Every victim that I've ever had has said the same thing. "Anyone could be a
3179 victim."
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3181 Man: Anyone?
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3183 A22: Anybody.
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3185 Man: Dade County Detective (Richard Davis) works the Fraud Unit.
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3187 ((2:09:00)).
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3189 A22: They're all fraud artists.
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3191 Man: If they're gonna come up with a scam...
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3193 A22: Mm-hm.
3194
3195 Man: ...why not use that brain power to get a real job and make some money that

3196 way?
3197
3198 A22: This is their real job. Just like you get up in the morning and go to work, and I
3199 get up in the morning to go to work, this is their job, and they'll tell you that,
3200 "This is my job." This is fun to them.
3201
3202 Man: Fun because to the con artists, they're playing, playing with human nature.
3203
3204 A23: Look, pigeon drop works when people are greedy (unintelligible).
3205
3206 Man: He's (Murray Cohen), president of (Rosa)'s condominium. When she got
3207 home from the mall that day...
3208
3209 A22: ...that the check wouldn't be good. If I had high blood pressure, I would have
3210 had (unintelligible).
3211
3212 A23: "(Murray)," she says, "I'm in big trouble."
3213
3214 A22: When I came in, he knew exactly.
3215
3216 A23: And I said, "Oh, my God, the pigeon drop."
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3218 A22: I worked 23 years of my life.
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3220 A23: She was almost hysterical.
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3222 A22: Saved and skimped.
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3224 A23: If she didn't come down to me...
3225
3226 Man: Mm-hm.
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3228 A23: ...she'd have been there the next day by herself, and gotten taken for...
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3230 ((2:10:00)).
3231
3232 A23: ...ten more thousand.
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3234 A22: Never gonna happen again.
3235
3236 A23: These girls were very persistent. They came back and really followed her the
3237 next day.
3238
3239 Man: Which turned out to be a very big mistake. (Murray) called the police, who
3240 took these surveillance photos, and then arrested the two women. Detective

3241 (Veronica Ferguson) made the arrest. Uh, where are they now?
3242
3243 A24: Uh, they were booked into Dade County Jail. They're out of jail at this point -
3244 they got out the following day.
3245
3246 Man: And they're supposed to show up in court, right?
3247
3248 A24: Yes.
3249
3250 Man: Come on. Are they gonna show up?
3251
3252 A24: I doubt it. I doubt it. If you think about it, they got $4000, and if the bond was
3253 lower than $4000, they haven't lost anything. Why should they come back?
3254
3255 Man: Well, they're con artists.
3256
3257 A24: They just move on to another city and do the same thing and get more money.
3258
3259 Man: When you just got to thinking about what had happened to you...
3260
3261 A22: Mm-hm.
3262
3263 Man: Was that pretty rough?
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3265 A22: Yeah, did you think I slept?
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3267 ((2:11:00)).
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3269 A22: No.
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3271 Man: You didn't sleep that night? What were you thinking?
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3273 A22: I'm still not sleeping well. Never in my born life felt this was gonna happen to
3274 me.
3275
3276 Man: (Rose), it happens.
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3278 A22: Yeah.
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3280 Q: When we return, think you can win? Think again.
3281
3282 Man: I'm saying it's this one.
3283
3284 Q: We'll show you how it's done.
3285

3286 A25: They call it a game of chance, but actually it's a game of no chance.
3287
3288 Ad: When does Santa do all his holiday shopping? Why, at Target, of course.
3289 Where right now you can get this powerful corded hand vac, with on board
3290 accessories from Black and Decker, only $44.83 at Target.
3291
3292 ((2:12:00)).
3293
3294 Ad: How much closer do our precision heads help shave beneath the skin? How
3295 much closer does our innovative groove make Norelco's lift and cut system?
3296 How much better is the latest Norelco razor? We think you'll find it's never
3297 brought you closer. The Norelco razor, our closest shave ever.
3298
3299 Man: A promise.
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3301 Man: (Unintelligible).
3302
3303 Woman: The only one, CK1. A fragrance for a man...
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3305 ((2:13:00)).
3306
3307 Woman: ...or a woman, from Calvin Klein.
3308
3309 Man: Want to lose weight, find love, treat your cancer? Hypnotherapists claim they
3310 can help you. Should they?
3311
3312 Man: Any idiot can be - be a hypnotist.
3313
3314 Man: And she was beautiful then, and she's sensational today. Sophia Loren.
3315
3316 Woman: Even I can't (unintelligible), you know.
3317
3318 Man: Eye to eye, Thursday.
3319
3320 Man: On one stage, on one unforgettable night, America's best salutes the best. Join
3321 Michael Douglas, Kirk Douglas, Aretha Franklin, the Kennedy
3322 (unintelligible), next Wednesday.
3323
3324 (Singing).
3325
3326 Man: It's a fast game, fast money.
3327
3328 Man: It was like I'm high, I was - I was like oh, my God, I'm gonna win a lot of
3329 money.
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3331 (Singing).
3332
3333 Man: In New York, some of the best performances are standing room only.
3334
3335 ((2:14:00)).
3336
3337 Man: And not just in the theater.
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3339 Man: (Unintelligible). Bingo.
3340
3341 Man: This is an elaborate, theatrical production.
3342
3343 Man: What's the number, name, what's the number, name, what's...
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3345 Man: What's all the fuss about? A game called three-card Monte. Two black cards,
3346 one red card. Pick out the red card and you win. And then there's the shell
3347 game. Just keep your eyes on the little pea.
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3349 Man: You find the ball, I pay.
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3351 Man: Point to the right shell and you win.
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3353 Man: (Unintelligible) anybody's money, find the ball.
3354
3355 Man: With a hidden camera and a healthy dose of skepticism, we tried our luck, and
3356 bet $40.
3357
3358 Man: Watch the red ball, get money. Where do you say is that money at?
3359
3360 Man: I'll say this one.
3361
3362 Man: Keep your finger on it, keep your finger on it. Which one, here...
3363
3364 Man: He lifts up the other two shells, so it must be a sure thing. Here's the 40 bucks.
3365 All right, this way. Huh?
3366
3367 ((2:15:00)).
3368
3369 Man: This way.
3370
3371 Man: All right, you got that. Hold it right there. Where did he put the pea?
3372
3373 A25: They call it a game of chance, but actually it's a game of no chance.
3374
3375 Man: (Jamie Ian Swiss) is a magician and sleight of hand expert, who knows all

3376 about the shell game and three-card Monte.
3377
3378 A25: First of all, what you have to realize, and what players never realize, is that
3379 you are dealing not with just a sole operator off on the other side of the box.
3380 You are looking at a cast of characters, all designed to lure you into the game.
3381 They're the only ones you see win.
3382
3383 Man: (Unintelligible) 100 times. Yeah.
3384
3385 Man: Yeah.
3386
3387 Man: There were lots of winners in the games that we watched, but experts say
3388 almost all winners are shills, hired hands, who play with the dealer's money
3389 and try to entice onlookers to bet.
3390
3391 Man: Okay. (Frank), I'm gonna need money in a second, he's breaking my bank.
3392
3393 Man: When I was playing the shell game out on Broadway yesterday, there was a
3394 man in a trench coat who was aggressively betting.
3395
3396 ((2:16:00)).
3397
3398 A25: If he won even once, he is a shill, he is part of the game. And, uh, you say he
3399 was in a trench coat. Was he dressed sort of differently from the - from the
3400 operator? The dealer looked more, uh, more rakish, a little...
3401
3402 Man: Yeah.
3403
3404 A25: ...scruffy? See, they - they're always - it's always mix and match. The idea is
3405 to deter the audience from determining, you know, the fact that they're
3406 together.
3407
3408 Man: All right, all right, good...
3409
3410 Man: There are over 100 shell game and three-card Monte operators in New York
3411 City. Now you know how they lure you in. But that's only half the trick. The
3412 other half is beating you out of your money.
3413
3414 A25: At the heart of it is a simple sleight of hand maneuver - by simple I don't
3415 mean easy, but the principle is this, that when the Monte operator appears to
3416 be tossing the bottom card...
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3418 Man: Like that?
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3420 A25: ...like that.

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3422 Man: Right.
3423
3424 A25: At any time he wishes, he can toss either one, like that.
3425
3426 Man: So you think he's always throwing a bottom card?
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3428 A25: Right, but even in isolation...
3429
3430 ((2:17:00)).
3431
3432 A25: ...it's virtually impossible to follow, and just in the - in the action, in the music
3433 and dance of the hands, of laying down the three cards, you see it's really
3434 impossible to follow.
3435
3436 Man: And what about the shell game? How is it the operators win every time?
3437
3438 A25: Well, basically what he's gonna do is he is going to steal the pea right out
3439 from the back of the shell, in the course of moving it forward and back.
3440
3441 Man: Can you show me that in slow motion? Or is that giving away your magic
3442 trick?
3443
3444 A25: I can show it to you as slowly as you like.
3445
3446 Man: I didn't see that.
3447
3448 A25: And the slower - well, exactly. You will never see it.
3449
3450 Man: And I didn't see it when I lost to this dealer, but watch again in slow motion,
3451 and you'll see him sliding the shell forward and back. As he does, he removes
3452 the pea, which he's now holding in his right hand. As he lowers his right hand,
3453 he slides the shell in the center back over the pea. This dealer was so brazen
3454 he even showed me how he did it. That is...
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3456 ((2:18:00)).
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3458 Man: ...after he got my money. But I knew that the guy was a crook. I just thought I
3459 was better than he was.
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3461 A25: Ah, you just thought you were better than he was, and - and therein lies the
3462 heart of the thing, because that's not an accident that you thought you were
3463 better than he was. That was - that was part of the purpose of his scam.
3464
3465 Man: You point, I pay. That's the way I play.

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3467 Man: I just watched him take - I saw the guy, like I - I don't know.
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3469 Man: (Michael) and (Peter) are college students.
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3471 Man: ...the little soda caps with the balls underneath?
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3473 Man: Yeah.
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3475 Man: And we seen him do it two times, and we got it both times.
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3477 Man: You knew where the ball was that time?
3478
3479 Man: Yeah, we nail - we nailed it two times. We went back, we got some cash and...
3480
3481 Man: They're about to become $100 poorer.
3482
3483 Man: 100 bucks. That's (unintelligible) you got to play. (Unintelligible).
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3485 Man: I don't know, just things happened, it was over.
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3487 Man: We got into it.
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3489 Man: Yeah, we learned our lesson hard.
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3491 Man: We approached the dealer who separated our victims from their money. Look
3492 me in the eye and tell me...
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3494 ((2:19:00)).
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3496 Man: ...that - that someone has a chance - look me in the eye. Tell me that
3497 somebody has a chance at winning with you, and no lie.
3498
3499 Man: Yes, there's a chance of winning.
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3501 Man: You're not looking at me in the eye.
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3503 Man: Yes, there's a chance of winning. Yes, there's a chance of winning.
3504
3505 Man: Is there such a thing as an honest three-card Monte game?
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3507 A25: Absolutely not. On a...
3508
3509 Man: An honest shell game?
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3511 A25: Absolutely not, and they will tell you that there is. No, they're - they're just
3512 liars. It's their job to lie. There's - there's nothing honorable about this. These
3513 are men who are simply muggers, simply criminals. They're more
3514 comfortable with three cards than they are with a gun.
3515
3516 Man: You're not scamming anybody, are you?
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3518 Man: I'm not scamming - regardless if I was, I'm not putting a - a gun to nobody's
3519 head.
3520
3521 Man: No, I understand.
3522
3523 Man: They do it on their own.
3524
3525 Man: Just ask (Kevin Freeman). He lost $40, but he still hasn't learned his lesson.
3526 And you want to play again?
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3528 Man: Yes.
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3530 Woman: Yes.
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3532 Man: I got to ask you.
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3534 Man: Yeah.
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3536 Man: What's it take to get it through the head there?
3537
3538 Man: I think I'm gonna - I think I need to step away and think what the hell I - yeah.
3539
3540 Woman: We're going home now.
3541
3542 Man: The supply of victims is almost endless. The dealers can make up to several
3543 hundred dollars a day...
3544
3545 ((2:20:00)).
3546
3547 Man: ...and face little to no jail time if they're caught. So New York is putting out
3548 the word.
3549
3550 Woman: Monte players are not quaint characters out of Guys and Dolls.
3551
3552 Man: And putting it up in lights, stay away from the longest running show on
3553 Broadway.
3554
3555 Man: (Unintelligible).

3556
3557 Man: So this guy comes up to you and he says he's got the winning lottery ticket -
3558 at least it looks like the winning lottery ticket. It's got all the winning numbers
3559 on it. But he says he can't claim the big prize because he's an illegal alien. But
3560 you can claim it, and he'll share the money with you. Sounds like something
3561 for nothing, right? Well, it is. He gets something, and you get nothing.
3562
3563 A25: I was approached by this individual...
3564
3565 ((2:21:00)).
3566
3567 A25: ...that he was - he had win, uh, a lottery, according to him, and...
3568
3569 Man: A Florida lottery?
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3571 A25: A Florida lottery, and he needed someone to represent him to cash the lottery.
3572
3573 Man: (Unintelligible) Columbia who lives in Miami. She holds down three jobs.
3574 She works hard for her money. That day the con men were working hard for
3575 her money too. (Richard Davis), the Dade County Fraud Unit Detective, says
3576 the con men take yesterday's winning lottery numbers and play them today.
3577 After a minor touchup, it looks like a real winning ticket.
3578
3579 A22: They are the winning numbers from the day before.
3580
3581 Man: Isn't there a date on it or anything?
3582
3583 A22: Yes, there is. They'll usually camouflage the date or they'll change it.
3584
3585 A25: He wanted me to put $5000.
3586
3587 Man: That was the twist on the classic scam. (Clara) was to bring $5000 the next
3588 day, when they got together to claim the prize.
3589
3590 A25: He needed someone like a citizen with an income, a person that worked.
3591
3592 Man: So this money was to prove that you were a - a working citizen of the United
3593 States of America?
3594
3595 A25: A working citizen of the United States of America, exactly.
3596
3597 ((2:22:00)).
3598
3599 Man: To prove what? Never mind. By this time, (Clara) was hooked.
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3601 A25: As a good citizen, I was doing something good. But ambition came through
3602 and I says well, why not?
3603
3604 Man: After all, the man promised to give her $10,000 for a few minutes' help.
3605
3606 A25: $10,000 is - is good. Why not help the gentleman?
3607
3608 Man: So you figured I'm gonna make some money here?
3609
3610 A25: Yes, yes, exactly. I figured I was gonna make $10,000 and that was not such a
3611 bad deal.
3612
3613 A22: I would say 98% of them have said I've heard of this before. My friend was
3614 scammed the same way. My brother was scammed the same way.
3615
3616 A25: My mother was also involved in this very same situation about 25 years ago in
3617 our country.
3618
3619 Man: Your mother was taken...
3620
3621 A25: My...
3622
3623 Man: ...in a scam?
3624
3625 A25: Ex-exactly the same thing that happened to me. She did lost all of her savings.
3626
3627 A22: People are very embarrassed. As a matter of fact, when they come in, they
3628 make up stories. They'll say something like someone hypnotized them.
3629
3630 A25: I must have been hypnotized because, uh, it was like I could not think to make
3631 a decision. It was like I was following an order.
3632
3633 Man: In fact it was...
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3635 A22: In fact it was just a plain old scam.
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3637 Man: Some people who are watching this would say...
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3639 A25: Mm-hm.
3640
3641 Man: ...you weren't hypnotized, except by the idea that you were gonna get $10,000
3642 for doing nothing. The next day when (Clara) showed up, she thought to help
3643 the man cash in the lottery ticket, the police were also there. Someone tipped
3644 them off, and they arrested the con man along with three accomplices, and
3645 saved (Clara Maya) $5000.

3646
3647 A25: I feel angry, embarrassed at the same time, for not figuring this case out. Also
3648 blessed, I should say, because God protect me all the time.
3649
3650 Man: God and the Dade County Police Department?
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3652 A25: And the Dade County Police Department, exactly.
3653
3654 ((2:24:00)).
3655
3656 Q17: Still ahead on 48 Hours.
3657
3658 Woman: (Unintelligible) vandalism losses.
3659
3660 Q17: The town where getting your car stolen is so easy, it's child's play. And the
3661 last time we met him, this con man said he was going straight.
3662
3663 Man: I played for a lot of different teams.
3664
3665 Q17: We'll tell you where he really went.
3666
3667 Man: It's a dark story.
3668
3669 Ad: You can tell a lot about a man by his shaver. The man who uses the Braun
3670 Flex Control appreciates good looks, has the flexibility to adjust to any
3671 situation, and he's not afraid to get close. But the most revealing thing about a
3672 man who uses a Braun is how easy it is to spot him.
3673
3674 Woman: I believe this is yours.
3675
3676 Ad: Braun, the world's most recognized shave.
3677
3678 Man: My first text. What do you think of that?
3679
3680 ((2:25:00)).
3681
3682 Man: (Unintelligible).
3683
3684 Ad: The CD Rom Message Center Integrated Television and Speakerphone,
3685 Compaq Presario, is powerful enough to run a small business.
3686
3687 Boy: Hello?
3688
3689 Woman: Hi, (Adam), it's mom. Where's dad?
3690

3691 Boy: He's watching TV.
3692
3693 Ad: Simple enough to expand a child's horizons.
3694
3695 Woman: What are you doing?
3696
3697 Boy: Learning to fax.
3698
3699 Woman: Oh, really?
3700
3701 A27: You need a parking attendant down here.
3702
3703 Man: 48 Hours will continue.
3704
3705 Man: You know, ladies and gentlemen, there's something wacky going on tonight,
3706 with Tony Randall, Dave Barry, steaming meatballs and flaming underwear.
3707
3708 Man: He's known for being naughty on court, but how nice is this? Beating up on
3709 Santa.
3710
3711 Man: I think that, uh, it was just a bad case.
3712
3713 Man: You can't mess around with Santa Claus like that.
3714
3715 Man: They say they're just selling sneakers, but what message are they selling our
3716 kids? Eye on America, tomorrow on the CBS Evening News with...
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3718 ((2:26:00)).
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3720 Man: ...Dan Rather and Connie Chung. This is CBS.
3721
3722 Q18: A fire in downtown Duluth takes a heavy toll on several businesses. That's
3723 KDLH News 3 top story. I'm (Amy Rutledge). Tonight at 10:00 we'll have
3724 the latest into the investigation into the cause of the blaze that destroyed or
3725 severely damaged several businesses tonight at 10:00.
3726
3727 Ad: There's a new pet.
3728
3729 (Singing).
3730
3731 Ad: Chia Pet, the pottery that grows. It's fun and easy. Soak your Chia, spread the
3732 seeds, keep it watered and watch it grow. Grow a collection of fun with Chia
3733 Pet puppies, kittens, turtles, bunnies, plus the new Chia frogs, pigs, hippos,
3734 and Chia trees. Ask for it by name.
3735

3736 (Singing).
3737
3738 Ad: The pottery that grows. The Chia Pet is available at (unintelligible), Thrifty
3739 White, and participating True Value.
3740
3741 (Singing).
3742
3743 Ad: Chia Herb Garden comes with everything you need to grow six different herbs
3744 indoors.
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3746 ((2:27:00)).
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3748 Ad: Seeds, pots and saucers, plant food, instruction booklet, even Chia growing
3749 mix. A great gift for anyone. Just plant your herb seeds, water, add plant food,
3750 then put them in a sunny spot and...
3751
3752 (Singing).
3753
3754 Woman: ...make cooking fun...
3755
3756 Boy: And tasty.
3757
3758 (Singing).
3759
3760 Ad: Chia Herb Garden. The Chia Herb Garden is available at all Target stores.
3761 Make the great gift, get yours today.
3762
3763 Ad: Now that the page master is here, people of all ages want to recreate the
3764 experience.
3765
3766 Man: Your journey adventure, danger, fantasy, horror, romance, comedy, and one
3767 more thing.
3768
3769 Ad: Yes, now at Pizza Hut, get the page master meal deal, one of four page master
3770 games, plus a large two-topping pizza, two-liter Pepsi, breadsticks and more,
3771 all for just $12.99.
3772
3773 Man: Wait. Show me your library card.
3774
3775 Man: Happy holidays from KDLH, TV 3.
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3777 ((2:28:00)).
3778
3779 Man: 48 Hours, Scammed continues.
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3781 A26: First, we've been in two high-speed pursuits trying to catch this guy. In the
3782 past month he's probably stolen, I don't know, 20, 30 cars. Where is he?
3783
3784 Man: A man police consider an imminent car thief has just been nabbed.
3785
3786 A26: Yes.
3787
3788 Man: So Detective (Jose Linares)...
3789
3790 A26: You know me.
3791
3792 Man: ...and Sergeant (Al Geerman).
3793
3794 A26: I'm gonna have a long talk with you later.
3795
3796 Man: Are in a good mood.
3797
3798 A26: What an excellent day.
3799
3800 Man: Not for him.
3801
3802 A26: I hope he has a miserable life for a long time.
3803
3804 Man: To say that Lawrence, Massachusetts has a problem with stolen cars is an
3805 understatement.
3806
3807 A26: Who's car are you stealing? Green GMC Jimmy.
3808
3809 Man: In one year, 3556 cars were stolen in this small city.
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3811 ((2:29:00)).
3812
3813 A27: One out of every nine had their car stolen.
3814
3815 Man: One out of every nine people in Lawrence have had their car stolen?
3816
3817 A27: Yeah. We've had them stolen from - in front of the police station.
3818
3819 Man: But that's not the unusual part.
3820
3821 A27: This is a vehicle reported stolen on the 25th.
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3823 Man: The unusual thing about Lawrence is a lot of people here want to have their
3824 car stolen.
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3826 Man: No way.
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3828 Man: In fact, they pay to have them stolen.
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3830 Man: (Unintelligible).
3831
3832 Man: To collect insurance money.
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3834 A27: The owner is involved in the, uh, loss of this vehicle.
3835
3836 Man: So of those cars that are stolen, how many are related to insurance fraud?
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3838 A27: Oh, probably 60%.
3839
3840 Man: And this is where a lot of those cars end up, in the Merrimac River.
3841
3842 A27: In fact right now there's probably seven to 12 cars in there.
3843
3844 Man: The police dive for cars here regularly.
3845
3846 A27: The last time there were divers in here, well, the kid come up and he says,
3847 "You need a parking attendant down here."
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3849 ((2:30:00)).
3850
3851 Man: I tried to start it but guess what, it's flooded. (Unintelligible).
3852
3853 Man: What is it about Lawrence?
3854
3855 A27: I wish I could answer that. It's a lovely day in the neighborhood. This is the,
3856 uh, neighborhood that the License to Steal gang pretty much calls home.
3857
3858 Man: It's awfully brazen, isn't it? I mean the calling yourself License to Steal?
3859
3860 A27: But they're only one of probably, uh, eight to 12 gangs. You know, some of
3861 these gangs, their main purpose or their sole function in being is just to steal
3862 cars.
3863
3864 Man: It's almost like an industry here?
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3866 A27: It is an industry.
3867
3868 Man: Things were so bad, the insurance industry itself put up almost half a million
3869 dollars...
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3871 A26: 'Cause there's a warrant for your arrest.
3872
3873 Man: ...to pay for a special Auto Theft Unit of the Police Department.
3874
3875 A26: We can do it the easy way or the hard way.
3876
3877 A27: It's a wonderful day in the neighborhood. Right here, the white one - this
3878 white one.
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3880 ((2:31:00)).
3881
3882 A26: There is a warrant for your arrest.
3883
3884 Woman: Me?
3885
3886 Man: Today they're arresting a woman suspected of insurance fraud.
3887
3888 Woman: My kids gone - sick.
3889
3890 Man: Her son is also wanted in the case.
3891
3892 A27: He's the one that masterminded the, uh, entire, uh, operation.
3893
3894 Man: In less than a year, the Auto Theft Unit has cut the number of stolen cars by
3895 36%.
3896
3897 A27: Yeah, so we're headed that way.
3898
3899 Man: They've locked up more than a dozen car thieves.
3900
3901 A27: Hey, (Baby), what are you doing here?
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3903 A26: This is (Baby). This is one that...
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3905 Man: (Baby)?
3906
3907 A26: Right. The - the one that started his career when he was, uh, eight.
3908
3909 Man: He's now 13. And how many cars has he stolen?
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3911 A26: (Baby), how many?
3912
3913 Boy: Huh?
3914
3915 A26: How many last time you counted?

3916
3917 Boy: 15.
3918
3919 Man: 15 cars?
3920
3921 A26: You don't have to be conservative now. What, your career is over, you're
3922 retired, ain't you?
3923
3924 Boy: Yeah. I'm still hanging, but I...
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3926 ((2:32:00)).
3927
3928 Boy: ...I ain't gonna steal.
3929
3930 Man: Still hanging out, but you're not gonna steal?
3931
3932 Boy: No.
3933
3934 Man: Think he's stolen his last car?
3935
3936 A27: Today.
3937
3938 Man: In your business, what's Lawrence famous for?
3939
3940 A28: Uh, car thefts, car fires, uh, vandalism losses, stolen...
3941
3942 Man: (Kelly Lynch) is in insurance investigator.
3943
3944 A28: ...uh, staged accidents and, uh, jump-in bodily injury claims.
3945
3946 Man: Filing false injury claims is another booming industry in Lawrence.
3947
3948 Man: This is, uh, getting more bizarre by the minute.
3949
3950 Man: If you just look at the number of insurance claims, Lawrence seems to be a
3951 particularly dangerous place to drive. For some reason, more than twice as
3952 many people get injured per accident in Lawrence than in other places, and the
3953 insurance industry thought that was just a little odd.
3954
3955 A28: In the insurance industry, basically we call them jump-in claims.
3956
3957 Man: Jump-in claims?
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3959 A28: Jump-in claims.
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3961 Man: Why is that?
3962
3963 A28: Uh, once you get in an accident, you look on the street, you see who's around,
3964 and you ask them if they want to jump in.
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3966 ((2:33:00)).
3967
3968 A28: Everybody collects. Everybody has a back injury, a neck injury.
3969
3970 Man: Everybody gets a lawyer, everybody sues.
3971
3972 A28: And the lawyers are gonna take, you know, their cut out of whatever's
3973 collected.
3974
3975 Man: Over at the courthouse, the young man wanted for insurance fraud turns
3976 himself in. It was his mother who was arrested earlier.
3977
3978 A28: Can you just tell me if you did it or not?
3979
3980 Man: (Unintelligible).
3981
3982 Man: Charges against both mother and son were later dropped, because the defense
3983 says prosecutors failed to turn over key documents.
3984
3985 A27: This is the central meeting place of one of our larger car theft gangs. If you
3986 wanted to, uh, have your car taken care of for insurance purposes, this would
3987 be the place to come. It can cost anywhere from $200 to $300.
3988
3989 Man: We wondered how easy it is to get a car stolen, so we decided to try it. First,
3990 we bought a used car and gave it to cameraman (Darryl Barton).
3991
3992 ((2:34:00)).
3993
3994 Man: He then drove to the local pool hall to see if he could find any takers.
3995
3996 Man: How you guys doing?
3997
3998 Q19: I got a problem that somebody told me somebody here could help me out on.
3999
4000 Man: All right.
4001
4002 Q19: I got a car that I don't need, I don't want it. Does this ring a bell with anybody
4003 that...
4004
4005 Man: What do you want though?

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4007 Q19: I don't want my car.
4008
4009 Man: You want me to (unintelligible)?
4010
4011 Q19: Yeah. Basically that's what I'm talking about.
4012
4013 Man: We don't do that.
4014
4015 Q19: Okay.
4016
4017 Man: We don't do that.
4018
4019 Q19: All right.
4020
4021 Man: But when we came back the next night, listen to this audio recording of what
4022 happened.
4023
4024 Q19: I got a car. I don't want a car.
4025
4026 Man: (Unintelligible) want to do?
4027
4028 Q19: What I'd like is for it to go away, not come home.
4029
4030 Man: That's, uh, that's complicated (unintelligible).
4031
4032 Q19: Okay.
4033
4034 Man: (Unintelligible).
4035
4036 Q19: Okay.
4037
4038 Man: All right.
4039
4040 Q19: You want me to leave the keys in the car?
4041
4042 Man: Yeah, leave the keys, (unintelligible).
4043
4044 ((2:35:00)).
4045
4046 Man: Six minutes and $200 later, the car was gone.
4047
4048 Man: Check it out. You do the door. The door, the screwdriver, you put a...
4049
4050 Man: This young man is obviously a professional and proud of it. He's the one who

4051 took our car, and was more than happy to talk to 48 Hours about it a few
4052 nights later.
4053
4054 Man: You want it to try to disappear, that's where they disappear.
4055
4056 Man: A week after our car disappeared, it turned up again, minus several parts.
4057
4058 Man: (Unintelligible) the steering column to make it look like it was really stolen.
4059
4060 Man: We did not report the car stolen, and we did not collect insurance. But in
4061 Lawrence, we could have.
4062
4063 Woman: On ski patrols, I face brutal cold all day. I protect my lips with ChapStick
4064 Medicated.
4065
4066 Ad: ChapStick Medicated is triple medicated to protect, moisturize and relieve
4067 dry, chapped lips, and the tingle tells you it's working. ChapStick, serious lip
4068 care.
4069
4070 ((2:36:00)).
4071
4072 Woman: So at (Jenny)'s school play I get this cough. Somebody handed me these
4073 Robitussin cough drops. They worked right away, and I could feel those
4074 vapors. Robitussin took the spotlight off me, and put it where it belonged.
4075
4076 Ad: Robitussin cough drops, cough drops from the cough experts.
4077
4078 Ad: For the man who warms up to the finer things in life, our entire stock of men's
4079 sweaters is on sale at Sears, including jacquard sweaters for 40% off. All other
4080 sweaters are 30% to 40% off, and for the man who starts to warm up when
4081 he's all dressed down, there's always the sweat suit. And right now, all men's
4082 active wear is on sale at Sears, where wishes come home for the holidays.
4083
4084 Ad: We remember our lives in pictures, but the parts in between those pictures,
4085 long stretches of life, we too easily forget. Presenting the Nikon Light Touch
4086 Zoom...
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4088 ((2:37:00)).
4089
4090 Ad: ...the world's smallest 35-millemeter auto-focus zoom. You will take more
4091 pictures. You will remember more, and perfectly. Nikon. We take the world's
4092 greatest pictures, yours.
4093
4094 Man: Hey, Remington, shave this.
4095

4096 Ad: If you can grow it, we can shave it. Remington's created the Triple Foil, the
4097 only shaver with three narrow micro screens to cross-cut each whisker three
4098 times. For hard to shave places on hard to shave faces. The Remington Triple
4099 Foil. If you can grow it, we can shave it.
4100
4101 Ad: And for women, a silky smooth shave in or out of the shower, the Remington
4102 Wet-Dry.
4103
4104 Ad: Trapped in a freezing wilderness, a family begins their desperate search for
4105 help.
4106
4107 Man: We've been walking ten hours.
4108
4109 Woman: I can't go much farther.
4110
4111 Ad: (Neil Patrick Harris), (Kelly Williams), (Michael Gross), (Susan Clark). The
4112 amazing true life story told from a startling real life diary...
4113
4114 ((2:38:00)).
4115
4116 Ad: ...Snowbound, the (Jim) and (Jennifer Stolva) story, Sunday.
4117
4118 Ad: The art of conversation, he practically invented it. The Late, Late Show with
4119 Tom Snyder, after Dave on CBS. Starts January.
4120
4121 Ad: This is CBS.
4122
4123 Ad: Presenting the Smart Clapper.
4124
4125 Woman: How smart can it be?
4126
4127 Ad: Clap twice to turn one appliance on or off, three times for another. It knows
4128 the difference. Plug two appliances into the Smart Clapper, then plug it into
4129 any outlet. Switch to "away" for added security. It turns TV or lights on at the
4130 first sound it hears.
4131
4132 (Singing).
4133
4134 Ad: The Smart Clapper. The Smart Clapper is available at (unintelligible),
4135 Walgreen's, (unintelligible) K-Mart. Makes a great gift.
4136
4137 Ad: You know, I could sit up here all day telling you about Hardee's new hot
4138 melts two for two deal. Any two hot melts for two bucks, like Hardee's tasty
4139 hot ham and cheese, or that...
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4141 ((2:39:00)).
4142
4143 Ad: ...juicy quarter-pound cheeseburger. And my favorite, the piled high roast beef
4144 and cheddar. But I'm not sitting up here all day. I'm gonna go get my own.
4145
4146 Ad: Hardee's hot melts, any two, just $2.
4147
4148 Ad: Anybody down there?
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4150 Ad: For a hot breakfast deal, get a bacon, egg, and cheese biscuit, just .9 9.
4151
4152 Ad: Hearty.
4153
4154 Man: You're watching KDLH TV 3, the Northland's news channel.
4155
4156 A29: Traveling in like ten or a group. They - they leave home and they - they travel
4157 around the United States most of the year. To me it's just like they're sticking
4158 their nose at us saying, hey, you can't touch us because we're here, and we
4159 have our own society. Oh, well, I guess they don't want to talk.
4160
4161 Man: Lieutenant (Joe Livingstone), South Carolina State Lawman. He's on a
4162 mission, a mission to break what he says is a clan of con artists outside of...
4163
4164 ((2:40:00)).
4165
4166 Man: ...Columbia, South Carolina.
4167
4168 A29: It's such a closed society.
4169
4170 Man: More closed than the mafia?
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4172 A29: Absolutely. You got any business to do, you need to go on and tend to it. You
4173 can get someone in the mafia to rat on them with the - if the price is right. But
4174 with these people, they're not gonna do it.
4175
4176 Man: He's talking about a group that calls itself The Irish Travelers. For generations
4177 they've roamed the countryside, selling home repairs.
4178
4179 A29: I've gotten reports they have been as far west as California, and as far north as
4180 Michigan, and possibly gone into Canada.
4181
4182 Man: Police say many of them steal from their customers, usually the elderly. It's
4183 places like this that the Travelers target. (Eva Taylor) lives here in this rural
4184 South Carolina home. Last April, a man knocked at her door. Well, let's let
4185 (Eva) tell you what happened.

4186
4187 A30: Somebody tapped on the door and I opened my eyes, and there stood this little
4188 fella. He said, "Lady, how old are you?" And I said, "Why...
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4190 ((2:41:00)).
4191
4192 A30: ...I'm, uh, 87 years old." He said, "Gee, you won't have to pay no phone bill,
4193 you won't have to pay no light bill." I said, "Huh?" He said, "No." I said,
4194 "Ooh," and then I thought I was in it then. I was in it, sure enough.
4195
4196 Man: So then he came in? You let him in?
4197
4198 A30: Yeah. He had that ball of thread, like...
4199
4200 Man: Uh-huh. And what did...
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4202 A30: He said, "Let me take - I'm gonna have to measure the house." And he said,
4203 "Just take one end and I'll go to the back, and put (unintelligible)."
4204
4205 Man: Where'd he - where'd you go?
4206
4207 A30: "Come on," he said, "Over here." And I come on just like he told me. I got -
4208 he said, "Now turn around, look right out there," and I was going to the back,
4209 but I done it. He went on to the back. And he wasn't back there long. That
4210 looks a lot like him, it sure do.
4211
4212 Man: Uh-huh.
4213
4214 A30: And that was, uh, I got my billfold, nothing in it. $338 - $381 is what I had, he
4215 got every bit of it. Never left me a penny.
4216
4217 ((2:42:00)).
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4219 A30: Took all a poor woman had.
4220
4221 Man: Did he ever get caught?
4222
4223 A29: The first time they didn't. They go to the hip pocket, and they'll say, "Oh, sir,
4224 I'm sorry about this misconception that we have here. Let me go ahead and
4225 pay this person their money back." Or "Let me let them have it for free."
4226
4227 Man: There are an estimated 10,000 Travelers in the US. Irish, English, and
4228 Scottish. The Irish have settled outside Columbia in a place called Murky
4229 Village. How long has - has Murphy Village existed?
4230

4231 A29: About 35 years, from a little, uh, tent to the - the travel trailer park up there to
4232 the Village. You know, they, uh, live a very prosperous life.
4233
4234 A31: Everything you hear is not true.
4235
4236 Man: (Winifred Riley) is a Traveler, and has lived in Murphy Village all her life.
4237 All pretty close?
4238
4239 A31: They're all cousins, everybody's cousins.
4240
4241 Man: Everybody's cousins?
4242
4243 A31: One big Traveler community.
4244
4245 Man: Yeah? What's the main, uh, main...
4246
4247 ((2:43:00)).
4248
4249 Man: ...employment around here?
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4251 A31: All the people self employed.
4252
4253 Man: Uh-huh. What - what kind of work do they do?
4254
4255 A31: They paint, they sell shop equipment.
4256
4257 Man: How do you think they're able to afford these big homes?
4258
4259 A31: I don't know.
4260
4261 Man: Do you ever say to yourself, hm, I wonder how they are doing it? I wonder if
4262 they're...
4263
4264 A31: It's not any of...
4265
4266 Man: ...on the up and up?
4267
4268 A31: It's not any of my business to know.
4269
4270 Man: (Winifred)'s mother didn't think it was any of our business either.
4271
4272 Woman: Get out of here, get out.
4273
4274 A31: She don't want to speak to you.
4275

4276 A32: An Irish Traveler works hard for a living.
4277
4278 Man: (JB Sherlock) was the only man who'd talk to us. Have you had any, uh, any
4279 complaints about your work?
4280
4281 A32: I never had a complaint in my life, never.
4282
4283 Man: (JB Sherlock)?
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4285 A29: Yeah.
4286
4287 Man: Now what - what do you have on him?
4288
4289 A29: Nothing, because what happened was Mr. (Sherlock) was in the computer as a
4290 wanted person, and by the authorities in Georgia. But when the officers went
4291 to the Village to find him, he drove right past them in his Cadillac and headed
4292 to Atlanta and immediately made restitution to the victims, and the charges
4293 were dropped.
4294
4295 Man: How old a man was he?
4296
4297 A33: Uh, I would say he was in his 40's.
4298
4299 Man: (Louise Amick) was hit three times in eight days.
4300
4301 A33: I hope we catch them scum. It's awful.
4302
4303 A29: You know, The Irish Travelers out of - out of Murphy Village.
4304
4305 Man: What did they want to do for you?
4306
4307 A33: They wanted to paint the roof on my house. They said they was gonna put it
4308 (unintelligible).
4309
4310 Man: First of all, they charged the old lady, uh, $2000 for a paint job that they told
4311 her originally was gonna cost $125.
4312
4313 A33: I don't think it took them over ten minutes to do the whole roof.
4314
4315 Man: A couple days later another guy shows up. Well, he - he said he was with the
4316 Social Security Administration.
4317
4318 A33: He wanted to go back and measure my kitchen. And he had a...
4319
4320 Man: A Social Security guy?

4321
4322 A33: A Social Security man.
4323
4324 Man: A couple days later a guy showed up, wanting to sell her some linoleum rug.
4325
4326 Man: Well, how much money did you have in there when the man came in?
4327
4328 A33: When the man come out here, I had...
4329
4330 ((2:45:00)).
4331
4332 A33: ...I had $13,000 altogether.
4333
4334 Man: $13,000?
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4336 A33: $13,000.
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4338 Man: In this cedar chest?
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4340 A33: Cedar chest. Went back in there to check my money, and, uh, it was gone. It's
4341 like a scam or whatever.
4342
4343 Man: Uh-huh.
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4345 A33: Flimflammed, I was flimflammed.
4346
4347 Man: Mm-hm.
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4349 Man: These people frustrate you to death, don't they?
4350
4351 Man: They really do. The public just has no idea what's going on down here.
4352
4353 Man: And The Irish Travelers want to keep it that way.
4354
4355 Man: No good (unintelligible).
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4357 ((2:46:00)).
4358
4359 Ad: The Timex Indiglo Nightlight. No woman should be without one.
4360
4361 Ad: Every day this week, Sears opens early for great savings, like women's outer
4362 wear. Save 30% to 50% on our entire stock of Misses and Juniors jackets,
4363 long and short coats, even rain wear. We open at 8:00, stay open late. This
4364 week only at Sears.
4365

4366 Ad: To those special men who gave you their best all year long, give them our
4367 best. This holiday season give the new Gillette Sensor Excel, with micro-fins
4368 for the world's best shave. Gillette, the best a man can get.
4369
4370 Ad: The circus is in town. Experience the thrills and chills of the Greatest Show on
4371 Earth, and the return of (Gunter Gable Williams), all new Ringling Barnum
4372 and Bailey Circus. Then your favorite TV stars and classic holiday moments
4373 from the past.
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4375 ((2:47:00)).
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4377 Ad: In the special that TV Guide gives a 10. All new TV's Christmas Classics
4378 Friday.
4379
4380 Ad: The Double Rush messengers have a rule about office romance.
4381
4382 Woman: (Johnny)'s gonna play at a club tonight, and we're all gonna go.
4383
4384 Ad: Never hit on the old guy.
4385
4386 Woman: I need a date.
4387
4388 Ad: Hey, new year, new show, new rules.
4389
4390 Man: My dear, I do not dip my pen in the company inkwell.
4391
4392 Ad: Double Rush, premiers Wednesday, January 4th on CBS.
4393
4394 Man: (Kevin Wynn) is no small-time conman.
4395
4396 Man: He turns, he shoots, rebound saved by (unintelligible).
4397
4398 Man: He is strictly major league. We first told you about (Kevin Wynn) two years
4399 ago. He impersonated more than a dozen professional athletes, including (Kay
4400 Whitmore), catcher (John Marzano)...
4401
4402 ((2:48:00)).
4403
4404 Man: ...even (Dana Williams).
4405
4406 A34: I played for a lot of different teams.
4407
4408 Man: (Kevin) ran his scams to get women's attention, and then their money.
4409
4410 A34: Women go crazy over athletes.

4411
4412 Man: The fact that he looks nothing like an athlete didn't stop him. The athletes he
4413 impersonated wear a lot of padding and masks, and are not well known.
4414
4415 A34: I'm not a great looking guy, but it was like I was - I was a - a prize, you know,
4416 look at what I got here.
4417
4418 Man: We met (Kevin Wynn) where you usually meet people like him, in prison.
4419 When he got out three years ago, he promised to stop conning women. You
4420 tell them your name is?
4421
4422 A34: (Kevin Wynn).
4423
4424 Man: After we aired our story, women contacted us from all over the country. We
4425 got phone calls and we got some mail. There was this woman who wrote, "I
4426 thought you might be interested to know that (Kevin Wynn) is back to his old
4427 tricks, as I met him in Chicago in November, and he stole my necklace. He
4428 told me he was...
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4430 ((2:49:00)).
4431
4432 Man: ...(John Marzano) and he was in Chicago to see an orthopedic specialist." She
4433 even sent us a picture of herself and (Kevin Wynn) as (John Marzano). Then
4434 there was the bank employee from Pittsburgh, who met (Kevin) when he
4435 walked into her bank. She wrote, "He said he was just in town for a couple of
4436 days, and he was a right-winger for the New Jersey Devils hockey team."
4437
4438 Woman: He asked if I could assist him in getting funds from his account in Connecticut
4439 to his brother's account, who was in college.
4440
4441 Man: (Kevin Wynn), posing as a New Jersey Devil, was turned away without any
4442 money.
4443
4444 Woman: I mean he didn't look like a hockey player.
4445
4446 Man: We're a much more mature team this year and, uh...
4447
4448 Man: He sure doesn't look like (Mike Richter) of the New York Rangers, but that
4449 didn't hurt (Kevin) in New York.
4450
4451 Woman: He promised me he would bring me six tickets, and maybe we could do a deal
4452 on the jacket.
4453
4454 Man: Wait a minute, wait, wait, wait. He wanted to do a deal?
4455

4456 Woman: Well, I think that's...
4457
4458 Man: (Kevin Wynn) wanted to do a deal with you?
4459
4460 Woman: I think that was what it was coming down to, he asked me what I could give,
4461 you know...
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4463 ((2:50:00)).
4464
4465 Woman: ...if I - if I got the hockey tickets, what could I do on the jacket. And I said,
4466 "Well, we'll see, you know, get me the tickets first."
4467
4468 Man: She never got the tickets, but she did get an autograph. By the time he got to
4469 St. Louis, (Kevin Wynn) was Wes Walls of the Boston Bruins. At least that's
4470 what he told an employee at a local hotel.
4471
4472 Woman: And he called up at the office and said, "Well, I lost my luggage, and my
4473 wallet is in my luggage, and I don't know when it's gonna be here. They said
4474 probably tomorrow morning. Can you just, you know, let me in the room and
4475 take care of that for me, and I'll tell the team and we'll appreciate it." She
4476 gave him a personal loan, and he stayed at the hotel that night for free, pretty
4477 much, and he ordered room service and everything, and the next day he just
4478 left without paying.
4479
4480 Man: But in Springfield, Massachusetts, (Kevin Wynn) had the bad luck to run into
4481 the wrong waitress.
4482
4483 Woman: And I told him that he wasn't Wes Walls and he said, "Yes, I am," and I said,
4484 "No, you're not Wes Falls, I know what he looks like," and he said, "Believe
4485 me...
4486
4487 ((2:51:00)).
4488
4489 Woman: ...I am Wes Walls," and I said, "No, believe me, I know what he looks like
4490 and you are not him."
4491
4492 Man: (Kevin Wynn) as Wes Walls made a reservation for 20 at this pizza place. The
4493 manager was not pleased with the way (Lea) had treated a famous hockey
4494 player.
4495
4496 Woman: At 8 o'clock, when the time came for the player to be here, he wasn't here,
4497 nor were any of the other 19 players that he said he was with. And at the same
4498 time, we turned the TV's on, and we're watching TV and there was Wes
4499 Walls playing with the Bruins in Canada.
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4501 Man: (Lea) was later named Employee of the Month. So what happens to man who
4502 makes his name using other people's names? (Kevin Wynn) got out of prison
4503 and went right back to his old ways. And what happened? What do you think?
4504
4505 A35: It's a dark story. Unlike more dark stories, you know, darkness is when there's
4506 not a lot of light.
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4508 Man: (Michael Craiger) is a screenwriter.
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4510 A35: He's not as apparently dark, but it becomes very dark...
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4512 ((2:52:00)).
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4514 A35: ...and even when it doesn't seem dark, it is.
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4516 A36: Accompanied by the darkness is the fact that it's real, it's true.
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4518 Man: And (Jimmy Yaffey) is a movie producer.
4519
4520 A36: Anybody else?
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4522 Man: They paid (Kevin) a small sum, they won't say how much, for the rights to
4523 make a movie of his adventures.
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4525 A35: We're not motivated by the financial, we're motivated by the - the social
4526 issues surrounding what's going on in this story.
4527
4528 Man: It's been awhile since we've seen (Kevin Wynn), but the last we heard, he was
4529 in Albuquerque, selling magazines.
4530
4531 A34: I'm affiliated with sports.
4532
4533 Man: Not surprisingly his boss told us he's an excellent salesman.
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4535 Q17: Since we first broadcast this report, two and a half years ago, (Kevin Wynn)
4536 has kept in touch with us. As recently as three months ago, he was working in
4537 Tyler, Texas. But we haven't heard from him since. So this Christmas, if you
4538 run into...
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4540 ((2:53:00)).
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4542 Q17: ...Wes Walls under the mistletoe, ask him for proof. That's 48 Hours for this
4543 week. I'm Dan Rather. We'll see you after the 1st of the year on our new
4544 night, Thursday, at 10:00 Eastern. Until then, from all of us at 48 Hours,
4545 Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Good night.

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4547 Man: For a transcript of this program, send $6 to 48 Hours Transcripts, Box 7,
4548 Livingstone, New Jersey, 07039. And to order a VHS cassette of tonight's
4549 broadcast, call 1-800-338-4847.
4550
4551 Ad: Coming up tonight, Dave Wilkins, Tony Randall, Dave Barry, and Mary J.
4552 Blige to the Late Show. Now your local news.
4553
4554 Q18: Good evening, I'm (Amy Rutledge). Coming up next, a devastating fire in
4555 Duluth downtown takes a heavy...
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4557 ((2:54:00)).
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4559 Q18: ...toll on several businesses. We'll have a full report. A motorist driving the
4560 wrong way causes a head-on collision on Interstate 35, and authorities search
4561 for clues in a fire bomb explosion in a Manhattan subway. These stories and
4562 more next on KDLH News 3.
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4564 Man: Live from KDLH 3, the Northland's news channel. This is KDLH News 3 at
4565 10:00.
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4567 Q18: Thanks for joining us. Fire investigators are still trying to find out what caused
4568 a massive fire in downtown Duluth this morning. A cornerstone in the
4569 business district, the Phoenix building, was badly damaged by the blaze.
4570 (Shannon Evans) reports.
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4572 Q20: It was a disaster that required...
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4574 ((2:55:00)).
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4578 transcription.
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PHONE CONVERSATION WITH AMIR FARAHNAK
Q=Woman
A=Amir Farahnak

A: Hi, how you doing?

Q: Hello? Hello? Hello?

A: Yeah, this is - this is Amir Farahnak. My name is Amir Farahnak.

Q: Uh-huh.

A: And, uh, I am calling from Tehran, Iran.

Q: Okay.

A: Do you - yeah - do you know Dr. - Dr. Jerry Wetterling?

Q: No, I don't.

A: Oh, okay. Dr. Jerry Wetterling is the father of, uh, Jacob Wetterling.

Q: Okay.

A: Are you Sheriff? Are you Sheriff?

Q: No.

A: Are you Sheriff Office?

Q: This is the Sheriff's Department, yes.

A: Well, okay, okav. You see, uh, this is Amir Farahnak. My Social Security number is

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A: While I was back in the USA, I was looking for Jacob. Jacob was abducted from St. Joseph.

Q: Uh-huh.

A: And, uh, Dr. Jerry Wetterling, he's a chiropractor in St. Joseph.

Q: Okay.

A: I looked for Jacob Wetterling for so long. I looked in different places, in different states. I received my Bachelor of Science in...

Q: Okay, what are you calling about? What are you calling for?

A: I am calling for Jacob.

Q: What?

A: I am - I am calling about Jacob. I have found the address. It is in Wilkin County.

Q: Okay. Hold on a second, okay?

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A: Okay.

Q: Okay.

A: Yes.

Q: Where are you at now - where are you at now?

A: Oh, right - right now, I am in Tehran, Iran.

Q: You're in Iran right now?

A: Yeah, in - in Tehran, Iran, yes, ma'am.

Q: Okay.

A: Yeah. My telephone number is, uh, 9821...

Q: Uh-huh.

A: This is the area code for Tehran, Iran, 9821.

Q: Yes.

A: My telephone number is 803-9238.

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Q: Okay. Spell your name.

A: Uh, Amir, A as Adam, M as Marie, I, R as Randy. Farahnak, F as Frank, A as Apple, R as Randy, A as Apple, H as Harry, N as Nancy, A as Apple, K, Farahnak. And, uh, my Social Security number is

Q: I don't need that.

A: Okay.

Q: Okay. Um...

A: I have the exact address of the abductor and Jacob.

Q: Okay, what's the address?

A: For - for that address?

Q: Yeah.

A: Yeah, okay. Uh, uh, uh, you have Highway 75 runs, uh, south, north. There is a river...

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A: ...that runs west, east named Rugged River.

Q: Yep.

A: Okay. The house, well, it is, uh, under the trees. The house is next to the river, north side - north side of the river.

Q: Okay. You have the...

A: And if you look - what?

Q: You said you have the exact address. What's the address?

A: Okay, okay. Look. Uh, uh, Highway 75...

Q: Yep.

A: ...that runs south, north.

Q: Yeah.

A: Goes over a bridge - a bridge over Rugged River.

Q: Yeah.

A: Exact right to the right-hand side of Rugged - north part of Rugged River. You see, cross section, your intersection. Intersection of Rugged River and US Highway 75.

Q: Okay. Do you know the house number?

A: This is long distance.

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A: I'm just communicating with Jacob. I'm - I'm...

Q: How are you communicating - how are you communicating with him?

A: How?

Q: Yeah.

A: I have dreams about him. I have dreams about him. I took - while I was back in the USA, I was looking for Jacob, and I was cooperating with different officers. And so I'm - I'm - I'm kind of law myself. I obey the law, I - I shake hands with the officers in Tehran, Iran all the time. I - I respect the law.

Q: Okay, that's fine. Uh-huh.

A: Yeah.

Q: Okay. And how did you ever learn about Jacob?

A: Oh, yeah. I was in Lawrence, Kansas. I received my Master's Degree in Applied Mathematics and Statistics in Lawrence, Kansas. I was watching television, and this program came on TV and talked about a Jacob...

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A: ...Wetterling, 11 years old, blue eyes, blonde hair, abducted, or kidnapped.

Q: Uh-huh.

A: And I was attracted to it. And I called, uh, a police officer, loc- not locally, but almost locally. You know what he told me? He told - oh, he was in the military, I think. He told me, "Amir, you're one of those kinds that must be taken care of 24 hours."

Q: Okay. Okay, so now you're just having like a vision of where he's at, is that what you're saying?

A: I - I - I'm a Christian. I'm a Christian, living in Teh- I was baptized. I have visions, yes. I have visions, uh, especially in - in - in church. Uh, but, uh, I am attending church here now. There are not many Christian people in Tehran, uh, in - in Iran.

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A: 99% of people are Muslim. I am - I am a computer operator, a - a system administrator in the company named (Sepah). We are auto makers.

Q: Okay. Okay, so you're saying from...

A: Let me tell - let me tell you something. Let me tell you something. Dr. Jerry Wetterling, uh, he has an email address. His email address is Boblee, Boblee, B as Boy, O as Orange, B as Boy, L as Larry, E-E, Boblee@uslink.net - U-S link.net. I have sent the Internet address of what I'm talking about...

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A: ...to him. I don't know if he has seen the address or not. But since he's cooperating with the officers, and he's a police officer himself, he might be a private police officer, so much he has to look for his son. Like me, I'm a police officer myself - courtesy police officer, as you people say. I'm courtesy US officer, police officer.

Q: Okay, we'll check into this then. Thank you.

A: Okay. Here, just a minute, just a minute. We can get the address, yeah, the address is - you know a Route 9 that runs - runs east towards - that runs, uh, diagonally, the northwest Route 9. It is under Route - Route 9.

Q: We don't have a Route 9.

A: Yes, you do. If you look at this map, you do. Route, perhaps I'm using the wrong word.

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Q: Highway?

A: Highway 9?

Q: Highway 9.

A: Oh, all right, okay, okay, now you're talking. Highway 9, um, uh, uh, and, uh, High- US Highway 75, that runs south, north. Uh, and Highway 4 is on the other side of the river.

Q: County Road...

A: Highway 4 - Highway 4 is south part of Rugged River.

Q: Uh, there's County Road 4.

A: Oh, Co- oh, County Road 4? Okay, yeah. The map is not clear too much. Uh, but by the way, let me tell - can I tell you something - can I tell something about, uh, I have friend in American military, like her name is (Alicia Maxwell). She's 1st Lieutenant, (Alicia Maxwell), (Alicia Maxwell).

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Q: Okay.

A: She's 1st Lieutenant of American military. Now you have my telephone number. Uh, you can give me a call, uh, um, if you want I can give you my address in Tehran here also. I am married, I have two daughters. Uh, this is very important to me. I think it's important to his dad also. So you can - you can check this address. There's a little jungle, little - lot of trees, uh, right to the north side of Rugged River, which is to the, uh, left - oh, east side, east side of Highway 75 that runs south, north. Can you imagine - I don't have map in front of myself. I have everything in my head.

Q: Uh-huh.

A: Can you imagine what I'm talking about?

Q: Yeah.

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A: Oh, okay. No, you have my telephone number and, uh, perhaps this kid is calling. Uh, I'm a - I'm a religious man, by the way.

Q: Uh-huh.

A: I am not wasting your time, I am not wasting my time. But I need help, okay? Uh, and I looked for Jacob for so many places, uh, but I came to Iran, I have quiet time here in Iran, I can concentrate more. By doing - I am not a terrorist. We Iranians are famous to be terrorists everywhere on this earth.

Q: Uh-huh.

A: And this is not something to laugh about, but I am - I am not - I - I am - uh, I am looking for Jacob and I'm uptight. I'm under stress.

Q: Okay.

A: And, uh, I think the kid is - needs help. And this - this place - this place...

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A: ...is the last place I'm going to talk about Jacob. I'm not gonna, uh, call Minnesota County Sheriff anymore. I'm not talking - I'm not going to talk about Jacob anymore, so now, this is my call to you. You have my telephone number. Do you want - you can have my Social Security, either it's in my Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from Michigan State University. I'm (unintelligible) from Michigan. Uh, I got my Master's Degree from University of Kansas, and, uh, I'm here in Iran right now.

Q: Okay.

A: Uh, I'm - I'm doing my best for this kid. I - I don't - I don't know if he's alive, I don't know if he is, uh, dead, uh, but I know that the abductor is a very smart man. He has confused me a lot, and I need help. I think I better go to my - to - to - to a doctor, psychology doctor...

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313 A: ...because this abductor is very smart, woman. I don't know what to do. I am
314 calling you right now from Tehran, and, uh, and I - I think Jacob needs help - I
315 need help too. I better go to the doctor right now.
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317 Q: Okay. Okay, well, we'll - we'll check into this, thank you.
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319 A: Okay, thank you, ma'am.
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321 Q: Okay, thanks. Mm-hm, bye.
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323 A: I appreciate it.
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325 Q: You bet.
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327 A: Bye.
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329 Q: Bye.
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331 Man: Call ID number is 266361. Duration of the call is 13 minutes, 32 seconds. It
332 came in on the 643-8544 line at 11:07, uh, on the 18th of May.
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335 The transcript has been reviewed with the audio recording submitted and it is an accurate
336 transcription.
337 Signed_____

RECORDED PHONE CONVERSATION
Q=Woman
A=Boy

Recording: ...09 am.

Q: The Hope Hotline.

A: Hello, this is Jacob. I just want to let everyone know that I'm still alive. Again, I know who took Jacob.

Recording: End of...

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RECORDED PHONE CONVERSATION
Q=Woman
A=(Norman)
A1=(Jacob)

A: Jacob's all right.

Q: And what is your name ma'am?

A: It's (Norman).

Q: And do you have a phone number where someone could get back to you?

A: I- I'll - I'm telling you, Jacob's all right. If - if anything goes wrong, he could be in a world of hurt.

Q: Okay. And where are you at?

A: I'm at - I'm in Garland, Utah.

Q: Have you contacted the authorities?

Woman: (Unintelligible).

A: Well, I called the operator. I'm on a pay phone right now.

Q: Okay. Do you - have you seen Jacob.

A: Well, no one will help me, ma'am. If anything goes wrong, they'll -they'll hurt him bad, (boy).

Q: You have Jacob?

A: Yeah.

Q: Okay. Will you - will you give him over to the authorities?

A: I'm sayin' he's all right, all right? He's fine.

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47 Q: Okay. Are you gonna...
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49 ((0:01:00))
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51 Q: ...contact the authorities?
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53 A: I don't know, ma'am, I'm scared. I don't know what to do.
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55 Q: Can we speak to him?
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57 Woman: (Unintelligible).
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59 A: Yeah, just one minute. Jacob.
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61 A1: I'm all right. I'm all right.
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63 Q: Okay. Where are you at now, Jacob?
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65 A1: I don't know. This man is taking the phone from me now.
66
67 A: Okay. How do you feel? He's all - all right. All right?
68
69 Q: Okay. Where are you at now?
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71 A: Garland, Utah. I gotta go.
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73 Q: O- okay. Are you gonna f- inform the law enforcement?
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75 A: I don't think so. I'm scared. I don't know what to do.
76
77 Q: Okay. Can you bring him to law enforcement people?
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79 A: I don't know, ma'am, I get busted, I'll be gone for years in the prison.
80 (Unintelligible) commit suicide after this.
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82 ((0:02:00))
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84 Q: Can I put you through to his parents?
85
86 A: No, I gotta go. Bye.
87
88 Q: Hello?
89
90 Recording: End of message. Press...

Q: (Unintelligible).

A: I don't know (unintelligible).

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INTERVIEW WITH UNKNOWN
Q=Woman
Q1=Man
Q2=Man
Q3=Man
A=Man
A1=Woman

Q: It's Tuesday, the 14th of November. I'm on the, uh, the south end of the railroad yards on the corner of 19th Avenue North. There's a car CNC408 an older Buick - Skylark Buick with an older gentleman in it. Looks like a dark green color of the car. Some rust on the sides. The gentleman has got a - looks to be, uh, like a baseball cap on. He looks to be about 65 years old - 60, 65 years old. Generally just peering out into the area in front of him. Got a cap on that says (Schmitt) on his cap. He's got on- a fur collar on and, uh, yeah, maybe it's not a fur collar.

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Q: Looks to be like a leather jacket anyway. Older gentleman just sitting in his car. Engine running. Looking around. Could be watching the train yard. He's also sitting right across the street from the, uh, from the children's, uh, daycare. This is the second day that the gentleman has been there. Uh, I don't know if it's the second day in a week or the - the second day in two days, but I have seen him there before recently. I don't know. Julie, uh, get, uh, get a letter done to, uh, George McDowell that identifies the, uh - uh, the rental of that building now that premises has to be, uh, rented on an annual basis and an annual basis only as prescribed by, uh - uh, Charitable Gaming Control Board. Also, uh, uh, get a letter to Jim McDonald from Northwestern College of Chiropractic.

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Q: Um, we have to take a look at the number of occasions they are running and, uh, compare that with, uh, with stats from the - the other locations as per the, uh, effectiveness of their operation. Julie get a thank you out to North Memorial. Attention to Joe Boston. Uh, he's the development director, head of public relations. Uh, the - pick up a thank you from me. Just a general

thank you and I'll take care of it the rest of the way. Let Mark, uh, Williams know that we can approve the contribution for Health One Corporation, Saint Therese and - and Saint Benedicts Center locally. Saint Benedicts should go to the Alzheimer's Clinic. Follow up with Scott Kelly from Mankato and, uh, see if he has obtained the lease from the, uh, attorney in the Twin Cities. And, uh, so that we can continue processing that application.

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Q: Set an appointment with Sister Marian from Loyola High School to pick up the lease and the balance of documents for the application with her and, uh, to take them to Saint Paul. Contact, uh, (Chuck Folson). I believe he's with the sheriff's department, uh, return call. Get a hold of (Sister Kevin Meyers) from Cathedral High School and, uh - uh, respond on the contribution letter that, uh, that I received. Actually I should say the contribution post card. See (unintelligible) regarding the same.

A: Whomever and then he said, "Who's making out the bid?" and I said, "Well, Leisure Time is compiling a list of equipment needed, but Tom O'Brien is the one that actually picks and chooses, you know, what we need and...

Q: Right.

A: And then he got on, "Well who's the other gaming manager? Isn't he involved in this?" And I says, "I suppose he will be."

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A: He did sound concerned. I said, "Well he's got to have equal say on it." And he just went on and on and on.

Q: Yeah, I, you know, Dave what you should really be doing with this guy is just shuttin' him off, hangin' up on him, walkin' away from him, whatever. You don't have to be giving him this information.

A: That's true.

Q: Um.

A: Well, as I say he just, you know, I don't know what I can't say and can. I'm just, you know, I'm not giving out any secrets or anything.

Q: I think you should really - I realize that. I think what you should do Dave is say, "Listen. Um, my boss is Tom O'Brien. He's the gambling manager. If you want to talk to somebody about gaming you talk to him."

91
92 A: Mm-hm.
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94 Q: And, uh, put him right directly on Tom. 'Cause I think Tom is getting' pretty
95 ticked with him as well.
96
97 A: Well, I know he is.
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99 Q: Um, but what I've - I've got in front of me is a bid sheet that - a sample bid
100 sheet that I'm going to give to Tom. And Tom's going to look at it and then
101 put it, uh, put it together and send it out and it's, uh - uh, it's pretty
102 straightforward. I mean you just put your prices down on the thing and send it
103 back in and - and we take it from there. Um, but I - don't let this guy
104 intimidate you too much.
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106 ((0:05:00))
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108 A: He's not. He's not. I'm just passing this onto you just to...
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110 Q: I appreciate that and - and continue doing that if you would and, uh, again as
111 you just wrote it down, uh, continue to do that as well. I think it's important.
112 Uh, meanwhile I've tried to get a hold of Tom. I guess he was on the phone
113 or something. Have you talked to Tom at all today?
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115 A: No, I haven't.
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117 Q: Okay. I'm gonna try to reach him again. I want to know what his
118 conversation with Roger Frank was about.
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120 A: Okay.
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122 Q: So, um.
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124 A: I'd ask him what he mentioned to Linda too 'cause she's - he was - Dave
125 didn't really want to give me that information and, you know, there again he
126 doesn't think I'm saying anything to anybody but...
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128 Q: Right.
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130 A: And he came out and he said, um, about - well I'll even tell ya Tom came to
131 Linda and said that he's going with this other distributor already and it's a cut
132 and dried deal and then - then she claimed also that - and then afterwards she
133 must have went and talked to this girl and he said that it was a cut and dried
134 deal and a done deal or whatever. To - I don't know if he would say
135 something like that but, um.

Q: Yeah, that would be a pretty foolish thing for him to say.

A: Yeah, and he said it was a cut and dried deal and a done deal and I...

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A: ...was - supposedly this was (unintelligible) Dave talkin' and then afterwards I - I can see Tom goin' up to him when she is on the phone and boy she didn't want anything to do with him at that time and, you know, it - it just sounded like they were just working diligently - d- diligently around the clock to try and keep the bid and I mean that Dave was just.

((Crosstalk))

Q: They - they really run a cut throat business don't they? I mean it's got to...

A: Oh, there's - there somethin' and then with the brick program and all this kind of stuff - he's gonna offer to buy some bricks and...

Q: Yeah, see that's - that's really crooked.

A: Wants the whole board to have - he didn't want - Tom O'Brien said he had to go to the board with it because I know several board members that would be - you know, want to be interested in it and um.

Q: Yeah.

A: He's gonna demand that it go in front of the board and all of this kind of crap so. And he will - and he said he's gonna demand a meeting with the board and he wants to talk to everybody and, you know, I wouldn't be surprised if he's - he'll write - write a report member. I really...

Q: Yeah, he might.

A: I'm sure he will, but there again I don't know, you know, if this is a board decision or if this is Tom's decision. I...

Q: Well the - the...

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Q: ...gambling manager certainly has to get the board to ratify, you know, decisions so - but - but it is a gambling manager's decision. But, uh, you know, he's got to be working in the best interest of his board.

A: Okay.

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182 Q: Okay, Dave well let me get ahold of Tom and, uh, see if he's talked to Roger
183 Frank in - in a different matter and, uh, I'll relay this information to him as
184 well and feel free to - to share this information with Tom when you talk to
185 Tom.
186
187 A: Okay.
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189 Q: Tom's got to know what shysters these guys are.
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191 A: Okay.
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193 Q: It's just unbelievable. You know I don't care if you go - if you guys end up
194 going with (GREL) or who you end up goin' with, but I think that (Cisero)'s
195 obviously showing us that, uh, he better darn well not be going with them
196 because they are really crooked.
197
198 A: Well it just - the thing is, you know, I've heard some of the prices that go with
199 that and they're - they're lower what he's got and of course he's saying he'll
200 match 'em, but in the time being why the hell doesn't he match them now?
201
202 Q: That's exactly right. That's a very good point.
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204 A: I mean service, you know, since he's the (unintelligible) parents. He claims
205 he's an honest salesman. I mean why isn't he giving us that price now? I
206 mean it has to take somebody else that beats his bid to do it.
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208 Q: Yeah, that's right.
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210 A: He's gonna find a way to screw us later on.
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212 ((0:08:00))
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214 Q: That's right. Yeah, he's been rapin' ya for a year and he's just gonna find a-
215 another way to do it in the future.
216
217 A: Yeah, I just assume grow - I mean it's...
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219 Q: Yeah. (Unintelligible). All right. Well thanks for the call.
220
221 A: Okay.
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223 Q: And, uh, I'll be talkin' to Tom.
224
225 A: Okay.

Q: Thank you.

A: You bet.

Q: Bye bye. I got myself in shit (unintelligible) a series of, uh, a - a group - a grand reopening.

A1: Maybe a grand opener.

Q: That will...

A1: Maybe a grand opener.

Q: A grand opening would be better.

A1: Well. He started off with promotions.

Q: And try to draw the focus off of the schedule and onto the promotion itself. To where we have, uh - uh, one of our best promotions has - has been, uh, these, uh, animals we give away and we're on a game that determines a winner and the whole session is geared towards tryin' to figure out the right number to guess to win one of these huge stuffed animals.

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Q: And, uh, between that and if we give away, um, well right now you're paying out what - $15,000 a month in prizes that you shouldn't be paying out. And we can put on a week promotion, uh, that would cost - what are those Las Vegas trips? Heck, if we gave one away every night.

A1: About $3,500 (unintelligible).

Q: So we could spend $3,500 on Las Vegas trips. Another $800 on animals and you've got just a fantastic promotion that's $4,200. That saves you 15 grand the first month in payout and you get people not to focus on the - the changes in the schedule, but they focus on how great the mall is and - and the promotions. And also why don't you mention the club card at this point as well. Um, we'd also start, uh, what we call a club card promotion. It's, uh, one of Leisure Times inventions that, uh, again it, uh, the nice thing about the club card promotion is that...

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Q: ...have. Uh, that's something that you should be prepared for though. That club card promotion. Okay? So when we are talking about promotions - some promotions we are talking about some non-gambling dollars correct Doug?

A1: Well in - in your case we should probably at some point go through this a little bit. Um, I know that, uh, private, uh, secondary schools are without it - about the luckiest creature on the face of the earth when it comes to abiding with the gambling laws. I mean it's as if you're built, uh, to take - you make use of them just by the way you're structured. Um, and the combination of the foundation with the school. Uh, makes a good situation even better. Um, but we - once we generate...

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A1: ...a budget then we'll sit down with you - with the budget and you'll be able to see the items that are paid in which way and then, you know, with your s- your accountants we can lead you through how you are going to move the money, uh, how you are going to use the money and how you are going to create the budgets - budget surpluses in your general fund, um, that will handle any expenses you have relative to bingo. And so the trick is to make the money in bingo first. Use it to offset allowable expenses in your mission which create a budget surplus that can be used to - all - promote all in a way that's going to be, um, very upfront not only to the letter of the law, but the spirit of the law as far as the gambling control board is concerned. And with the proper pa- paper trail that not only will satisfy any audit from the state.

315 A1: Right.
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317 Q: But satisfy the IRS.
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319 A1: As far as UVI...
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325 Q: As far as UVI taxes, so we'll tie it in and minimize your UVI liabilities also.
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332 tax.
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334 A2: Oh, okay.
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337 business and, you know, how extreme that is, but, um, uh, we're probably - I
338 say we - and when I say we we're educated by some accountants in the Saint
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341 uh, information. It's up - of course, up to you and your accountants to, uh, to
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353 ((0:15:00 - 0:28:00 minutes - nothing was audible))
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355 ((0:28:00))
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357 Q3: Record, record, record. Record, record, record. Yeah...
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359 ((0:29:00))

Q3: ...this is July 28, 1927. To whom it may concern. This is none of your business. I'll say something. Hello, Warren. Say something. Well, just what?

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Q3: Talk like. Now you can record.

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INTERVIEW WITH UNKNOWN
Q=Woman
Q1=Man
Q2=Man
Q3=Man
A=Man
A1=Woman

Q: It's Tuesday, the 14th of November. I'm on the, uh, the south end of the railroad yards on the corner of 19th Avenue North. There's a car CNC408 an older Buick - Skylark Buick with an older gentleman in it. Looks like a dark green color of the car. Some rust on the sides. The gentleman has got a - looks to be, uh, like a baseball cap on. He looks to be about 65 years old - 60, 65 years old. Generally just peering out into the area in front of him. Got a cap on that says (Schmitt) on his cap. He's got on- a fur collar on and, uh, yeah, maybe it's not a fur collar.

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Q: Looks to be like a leather jacket anyway. Older gentleman just sitting in his car. Engine running. Looking around. Could be watching the train yard. He's also sitting right across the street from the, uh, from the children's, uh, daycare. This is the second day that the gentleman has been there. Uh, I don't know if it's the second day in a week or the - the second day in two days, but I have seen him there before recently. I don't know. Julie, uh, get, uh, get a letter done to, uh, George McDowell that identifies the, uh - uh, the rental of that building now that premises has to be, uh, rented on an annual basis and an annual basis only as prescribed by, uh - uh, Charitable Gaming Control Board. Also, uh, uh, get a letter to Jim McDonald from Northwestern College of Chiropractic.

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Q: Um, we have to take a look at the number of occasions they are running and, uh, compare that with, uh, with stats from the - the other locations as per the, uh, effectiveness of their operation. Julie get a thank you out to North Memorial. Attention to Joe Boston. Uh, he's the development director, head of public relations. Uh, the - pick up a thank you from me. Just a general

thank you and I'll take care of it the rest of the way. Let Mark, uh, Williams know that we can approve the contribution for Health One Corporation, Saint Therese and - and Saint Benedicts Center locally. Saint Benedicts should go to the Alzheimer's Clinic. Follow up with Scott Kelly from Mankato and, uh, see if he has obtained the lease from the, uh, attorney in the Twin Cities. And, uh, so that we can continue processing that application.

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Q: Set an appointment with Sister Marian from Loyola High School to pick up the lease and the balance of documents for the application with her and, uh, to take them to Saint Paul. Contact, uh, (Chuck Folson). I believe he's with the sheriff's department, uh, return call. Get a hold of (Sister Kevin Meyers) from Cathedral High School and, uh - uh, respond on the contribution letter that, uh, that I received. Actually I should say the contribution post card. See (unintelligible) regarding the same.

A: Whomever and then he said, "Who's making out the bid?" and I said, "Well, Leisure Time is compiling a list of equipment needed, but Tom O'Brien is the one that actually picks and chooses, you know, what we need and...

Q: Right.

A: And then he got on, "Well who's the other gaming manager? Isn't he involved in this?" And I says, "I suppose he will be."

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A: He did sound concerned. I said, "Well he's got to have equal say on it." And he just went on and on and on.

Q: Yeah, I, you know, Dave what you should really be doing with this guy is just shuttin' him off, hangin' up on him, walkin' away from him, whatever. You don't have to be giving him this information.

A: That's true.

Q: Um.

A: Well, as I say he just, you know, I don't know what I can't say and can. I'm just, you know, I'm not giving out any secrets or anything.

Q: I think you should really - I realize that. I think what you should do Dave is say, "Listen. Um, my boss is Tom O'Brien. He's the gambling manager. If you want to talk to somebody about gaming you talk to him."

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92 A: Mm-hm.
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94 Q: And, uh, put him right directly on Tom. 'Cause I think Tom is getting' pretty
95 ticked with him as well.
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97 A: Well, I know he is.
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99 Q: Um, but what I've - I've got in front of me is a bid sheet that - a sample bid
100 sheet that I'm going to give to Tom. And Tom's going to look at it and then
101 put it, uh, put it together and send it out and it's, uh - uh, it's pretty
102 straightforward. I mean you just put your prices down on the thing and send it
103 back in and - and we take it from there. Um, but I - don't let this guy
104 intimidate you too much.
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108 A: He's not. He's not. I'm just passing this onto you just to...
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110 Q: I appreciate that and - and continue doing that if you would and, uh, again as
111 you just wrote it down, uh, continue to do that as well. I think it's important.
112 Uh, meanwhile I've tried to get a hold of Tom. I guess he was on the phone or
113 something. Have you talked to Tom at all today?
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115 A: No, I haven't.
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117 Q: Okay. I'm gonna try to reach him again. I want to know what his conversation
118 with Roger Frank was about.
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120 A: Okay.
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122 Q: So, um.
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124 A: I'd ask him what he mentioned to Linda too 'cause she's - he was - Dave
125 didn't really want to give me that information and, you know, there again he
126 doesn't think I'm saying anything to anybody but...
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128 Q: Right.
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130 A: And he came out and he said, um, about - well I'll even tell ya Tom came to
131 Linda and said that he's going with this other distributor already and it's a cut
132 and dried deal and then - then she claimed also that - and then afterwards she
133 must have went and talked to this girl and he said that it was a cut and dried
134 deal and a done deal or whatever. To - I don't know if he would say
135 something like that but, um.

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137 Q: Yeah, that would be a pretty foolish thing for him to say.
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139 A: Yeah, and he said it was a cut and dried deal and a done deal and I...
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143 A: ...was - supposedly this was (unintelligible) Dave talkin' and then afterwards I
144 - I can see Tom goin' up to him when she is on the phone and boy she didn't
145 want anything to do with him at that time and, you know, it - it just sounded
146 like they were just working diligently - d- diligently around the clock to try
147 and keep the bid and I mean that Dave was just.
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149 ((Crosstalk))
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151 Q: They - they really run a cut throat business don't they? I mean it's got to...
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153 A: Oh, there's - there somethin' and then with the brick program and all this kind
154 of stuff - he's gonna offer to buy some bricks and...
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156 Q: Yeah, see that's - that's really crooked.
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158 A: Wants the whole board to have - he didn't want - Tom O'Brien said he had to
159 go to the board with it because I know several board members that would be -
160 you know, want to be interested in it and um.
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162 Q: Yeah.
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164 A: He's gonna demand that it go in front of the board and all of this kind of crap
165 so. And he will - and he said he's gonna demand a meeting with the board and
166 he wants to talk to everybody and, you know, I wouldn't be surprised if he's -
167 he'll write - write a report member. I really...
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169 Q: Yeah, he might.
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171 A: I'm sure he will, but there again I don't know, you know, if this is a board
172 decision or if this is Tom's decision. I...
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174 Q: Well the - the...
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178 Q: ...gambling manager certainly has to get the board to ratify, you know,
179 decisions so - but - but it is a gambling manager's decision. But, uh, you
180 know, he's got to be working in the best interest of his board.

A: Okay.

Q: Okay, Dave well let me get ahold of Tom and, uh, see if he's talked to Roger Frank in - in a different matter and, uh, I'll relay this information to him as well and feel free to - to share this information with Tom when you talk to Tom.

A: Okay.

Q: Tom's got to know what shysters these guys are.

A: Okay.

Q: It's just unbelievable. You know I don't care if you go - if you guys end up going with (GREL) or who you end up goin' with, but I think that (Cisero)'s obviously showing us that, uh, he better darn well not be going with them because they are really crooked.

A: Well it just - the thing is, you know, I've heard some of the prices that go with that and they're - they're lower what he's got and of course he's saying he'll match 'em, but in the time being why the hell doesn't he match them now?

Q: That's exactly right. That's a very good point.

A: I mean service, you know, since he's the (unintelligible) parents. He claims he's an honest salesman. I mean why isn't he giving us that price now? I mean it has to take somebody else that beats his bid to do it.

Q: Yeah, that's right.

A: He's gonna find a way to screw us later on.

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Q: That's right. Yeah, he's been rapin' ya for a year and he's just gonna find a-another way to do it in the future.

A: Yeah, I just assume grow - I mean it's...

Q: Yeah. (Unintelligible). All right. Well thanks for the call.

A: Okay.

Q: And, uh, I'll be talkin' to Tom.

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227 A: Okay.
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229 Q: Thank you.
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231 A: You bet.
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233 Q: Bye bye. I got myself in shit (unintelligible) a series of, uh, a - a group - a
234 grand reopening.
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236 A1: Maybe a grand opener.
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238 Q: That will...
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240 A1: Maybe a grand opener.
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242 Q: A grand opening would be better.
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244 A1: Well. He started off with promotions.
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246 Q: And try to draw the focus off of the schedule and onto the promotion itself. To
247 where we have, uh - uh, one of our best promotions has - has been, uh, these,
248 uh, animals we give away and we're on a game that determines a winner and
249 the whole session is geared towards tryin' to figure out the right number to
250 guess to win one of these huge stuffed animals.
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254 Q: And, uh, between that and if we give away, um, well right now you're paying
255 out what - $15,000 a month in prizes that you shouldn't be paying out. And
256 we can put on a week promotion, uh, that would cost - what are those Las
257 Vegas trips? Heck, if we gave one away every night.
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259 A1: About $3,500 (unintelligible).
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A1: Right.

Q: But satisfy the IRS.

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A1: ...taxes.

Q: As far as UVI taxes, so we'll tie it in and minimize your UVI liabilities also.

A1: And you address that issue yet at all with UVI?

A2: I'm not familiar with it.

Q: Okay, you are, um, full tab income is subject to unrelated business income tax.

A2: Oh, okay.

Q: Um, and it's taxed at the regular corporate rate which I know you are in business and, you know, how extreme that is, but, um, uh, we're probably - I say we - and when I say we we're educated by some accountants in the Saint Cloud area are, uh, very familiar with what the laws are and I think they can give you some pretty - with those accountants can give you some pretty good, uh, information. It's up - of course, up to you and your accountants to, uh, to make those final decisions. Generally, uh, we are about 80 percent certain that you have properly recorded and if the money is properly used...

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Q3: Record, record, record. Record, record, record. Yeah...

((0:29:00)

Q3: ...this is July 28, 1927. To whom it may concern. This is none of your business. I'll say something. Hello, Warren. Say something. Well, just what?

Woman: (Unintelligible).

Q3: Talk like. Now you can record.

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STEARNS COUNTY RADIO TRAFFIC

Dispatch: (Unintelligible). Can I help you?

Man: You wanna find Jacob (unintelligible) stop looking for him.

Dispatch: We're still looking for him, yes. Hello?

Man: You can stop 'cause he's dead.

Dispatch: How do you know?

Man: 'Cause I killed him.

Dispatch: And who are you?

Dispatch: (Unintelligible).

Man: You want Jacob? One million dollars. (Unintelligible).

Dispatch: (Unintelligible).

Man: You want Jacob? One million dollars. (Unintelligible).

((0:01:00))

Man: What the hell you doing?

Dispatch: Short box Chevy. (Unintelligible) hood (unintelligible).

((0:02:00))

Man: (Unintelligible). How's it going? (Unintelligible) told me, ya know. (Unintelligible) you know but I mean, I couldn't write (unintelligible).

((0:03:00))

Man: (Unintelligible) stuff (unintelligible) stuff any good or (unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible) bag (unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible) yeah. You bet.

Man: (Unintelligible). Yeah. It's mountain grown.

Man: (Unintelligible).

Man: Forty-six (unintelligible). Here ya go.

Man: (Unintelligible) real. I don't like that middle man.

Man: (Unintelligible) truck.

Man: I don't know.

Man: Yeah, all right. Um, I won't be able (unintelligible) getting too much more until Saturday or Sunday.

((0:04:00))

Man: That's all right.

Man: But, uh, (unintelligible) somewhere and get a hold of you.

Man: Yeah.

Man: You got a number? I can call you when I get more of it.

Man: (Unintelligible) I work (unintelligible) I live with my (unintelligible) live with (unintelligible) their house right now.

Man: Oh Lord.

Man: I mean, is there (unintelligible) call maybe, or...

Man: (Unintelligible) could call (unintelligible). How early in the morning (unintelligible).

Man: How early, like (unintelligible).

Man: 8:00 (unintelligible).

Man: Yep.

Man: (Unintelligible) matter. Either that or about 8:30 and (unintelligible).

Man: You're workin' a late shift (unintelligible).

Man: I work the night shift (unintelligible). Not around at all.

Man: All right. (Unintelligible) somewhere, some way I can get a hold of ya?

((0:05:00))

Man: (Unintelligible) what's your number?

Man: 252-4678.

Man: (Unintelligible) morning, huh?

Man: Early in the morning (unintelligible) hesitant (unintelligible) ever met ya.

Man: (Unintelligible) oh, I know, I hear ya. But I mean, I don't know you either (unintelligible) ya know?

Man: No, I (unintelligible).

Man: But, uh...

Man: (Unintelligible).

Man: Well, (unintelligible) my car (unintelligible).

Man: It ain't fun though (unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible) my car (unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible) it's two wheel drive.

Man: Oh, is it?

Man: Yeah. It's a one ton. Four wheeler.

Man: (Unintelligible).

Man: Yeah (unintelligible) five gallon (unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible).

((0:06:00))

Man: (Unintelligible).

Man: Yeah. (Unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible).

Man: All right (unintelligible).

Man: That's all right (unintelligible) I won't be up at - take care of some more shit.

Man: All right. Well, give me a call early next week then.

Man: All right.

Man: (Unintelligible).

Man: Yeah (unintelligible). And then I'll be there and I'll be awake (unintelligible).

Man: (Unintelligible). Take her easy.

Man: (Unintelligible).

Man: Take her easy. Description about (unintelligible) 180 pounds, blonde hair, (unintelligible)...

((0:07:00))

Man: wearing a leather jacket and blue jeans, 6'1 about 180 - 185, moustache.

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PHONE CALL WITH DAVID HEINRICH

Q=Woman
Q1=Woman
A=David Heinrich

Q: ...can I help you?

Q1: Hi, this is the (Yorsba) supervisor at the telephone company. I have a gentleman that's calling in from a payphone in Paynesville. He says he wants to talk to the FBI, but the nearest FBI office is in St. Cloud and it's long distance, and he says he doesn't have the money to pay for the call. I wonder if you'd try talking to him.

Q: No problem.

Q1: Okay, I'll put him on, thanks.

A: Hello?

Q1: Go ahead, sir, they're on the line now.

A: Okay.

Q: Can I help you?

A: Thank you, ma'am.

Q: What's the problem, sir?

A: Get their ass on the line.

Q: Sir, what is the problem? Sir?

A: I'll talk to them, nobody else.

Q: Who do you want to talk to, sir?

A: The FBI.

46
47 Q: In regard to what?
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49 A: Um, a Federal case.
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51 Q: What Federal case?
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53 A: That is none of your concern, ma'am.
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55 ((0:01:00))
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57 Q: Sir, I don't have an FBI ava-available to talk to you right now.
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59 A: I have to see somebody - well, call the Stearns County Sheriff's Department.
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61 Q: This is the Stearns County Sheriff's Department.
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63 A: Okay. Then get them on the line now, immediately.
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65 Q: Who am I speaking to?
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67 A: David Allen Heinrich.
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69 Q: David Allen Heinrich?
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71 A: That's right, ma'am. That's my full name.
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73 Q: And what do you want to speak to an agent about, sir?
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75 A: Um, I need a weapon.
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77 Q: You need a weapon?
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79 A: I need, uh - ma'am, I need a license to carry a weapon immediately.
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81 Q: What for? What for, David?
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83 A: Hello?
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85 Q: What for, David?
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87 A: Um, I'm scared for...
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89 ((0:02:00))
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91 A: ...the safety of my girlfriend. I need a permit to carry a weapon.
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93 Q: Why do you think your girlfriend is in jeopar...
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95 A: Pardon?
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97 Q: Why do you think your girlfriend is in jeopardy?
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99 A: Well, I've already been threatened with death.
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101 Q: All right.
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103 A: I don't need that shit. Um, I'm putting away a Federal convict. I want and I
104 demand from the County, a permit to carry a weapon. Do you understand me?
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106 Q: Sir, I cannot...
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108 A: Before I do any testimony.
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110 Q: Testimony for what?
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112 A: Pardon?
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114 Q: Testimony for what?
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116 A: Putting away this person.
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118 Q: Put a...
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120 A: I know, this isn't bullshit though. You can check it out, what do you want to
121 know?
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123 Q: David, where are you at right now?
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125 A: Uh, the FBI knows me.
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127 ((0:03:00))
128
129 A: Um...
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131 Q: Where are you at right now, David?
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133 A: I'm at Roscoe right now.
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135 Q: Where at in Roscoe?

A: The bar.

Q: What bar?

A: Roscoe Bar. You come and get me right - whenever you want me, but I'm telling you, I've just been going with a girl for a while, and I'm scared for her life.

Q: Why?

A: My cousin just told me the other day, or last night, excuse me, Tuesday night, that (Dewayne), before the FBI picked him up, said he was gonna kill me. I need protection.

Q: So what does that have anything to do with your girlfriend?

A: Because - well, wouldn't you be concerned? Excuse me. Am I so fuckin' far out of line? I don't - excuse me - don't get me wrong, I don't mean to swear. Um, I'm worried about her.

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A: I've never loved anyone in my life, and finally I'm in love with a girl, and if this bastard finds out, she's dead meat. I don't know who's coming after me. He's got a lot of friends.

Q: Well, David, we're not gonna issue you a...

A: (Dewayne Hart) is not exactly just a sick fucker.

Q: David, David.

A: He's got a lot of backup.

Q: David, listen to me.

A: No, you listen to me.

Q: No, you listen to me. There's a 21-day waiting period to get a permit to carry a gun, all right. If you would like to make an application to carry a gun...

A: (Unintelligible) an application (unintelligible).

Q: No.

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182 A: Well, you tell the FBI...
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184 Q: David, do you have...
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186 A: ...to (unintelligible) off.
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188 Q: David.
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190 A: No, you tell them...
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192 Q: David, goodbye.
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194 A: ...just to...
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PHONE CALLS RECEIVED
Q=Man
A=Man
A1=Man

Q: ...can I help you?

A: You want to find Jacob alive, you can't stop looking for him.

Q: We're still looking for him, yes. Hello?

A: You can stop 'cause he's dead.

Q: How do you know?

A: I killed him.

Q: And who are you?

A1: You want Jacob, $1 million.

A1: You want Jacob, $1 million.

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RECORDINGS
A=(Jason)
A1=Jerry Wetterling
A2=(Doug)
A3=(Elena)
A4=(Glenn)

A: call (Jason).

A1: It's your husband. Maybe give me a call up at Albany if you get the chance. Thanks.

A2: Patty, this is (Doug) at (unintelligible) Department. If you could call me please, uh, thank you - no emergency.

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A3: Hi, Patty, it's (Elena). I was just calling to say hello, you don't have to call me back. Things are going a little bit better with the piece. I'm gonna get, um, a copy of it in the next couple of days, and I had a huge, uh, uh, confrontation, and I think I may have managed to make some sense out of things. So I hope you guys are well, and I will speak to you soon. Bye-bye.

Woman: Your son Jacob is all right. He's with me. I live in Minneapolis. Your boy will be back, soon.

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A4: Yeah, hi, Patty, this is (Glenn). Uh, this is kind of a difficult message to leave on a recorder, but I thought, uh, you'd want to know as soon as possible. Um, Grandma (Potter) died at, uh, about 3:10, uh, today, just a little while ago. And, uh, (Nancy) called me, um, and, uh, (Wes) was gonna call your mother. Uh, we're not sure of any of the arrangements or anything. Uh, (Peg) doesn't know yet, she's not home from school, so I guess that's about it for now, I just wanted to give you the message and, uh, maybe talk to you later. Okay.

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RECORDINGS
A=(Julie Frisco)

Boy: Yes. I got Jacob. If you want him, I need $1000 for him, bye.

A: Yeah, this is (Julie Frisco) from Minneapolis, and I was wondering where I could get a Jacob Hope button, or maybe even a few of them. My number is, uh, 781-1915. Thank you very much.

Woman: ...left here and today's the last day of the semester so, um, if you'd like to pick them up, um, today, Friday, or else if you can't make it today, (Christie Corcoran) can bring them to you, and she has more information about...

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Woman: ...the, um, events for the weekend too. Her number is 699-7474, and my number is 696-6440. Thanks.

Woman: This is your mother, call me - calling you. Call me when you can, bye.

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